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Sooryavanshi's revenge destroys Sril Lanka A in Tri-Nation A Series final

Vaibhav Sooryavanshi starred in the Tri-Nation A Series final with a stun-ning 94 off just 29 balls, smashing 10 fours and 8 sixes and bringing up a record-breaking 50 in only 11 balls. His explosive knock powered India A to a massive 377/9 in 50 overs. In reply, Sri Lanka A were bowled out for 311 in 47.1 overs. India A won by 66 runs to clinch the title in Dambulla. Sooryavanshi named the Player of the Match | **P13**

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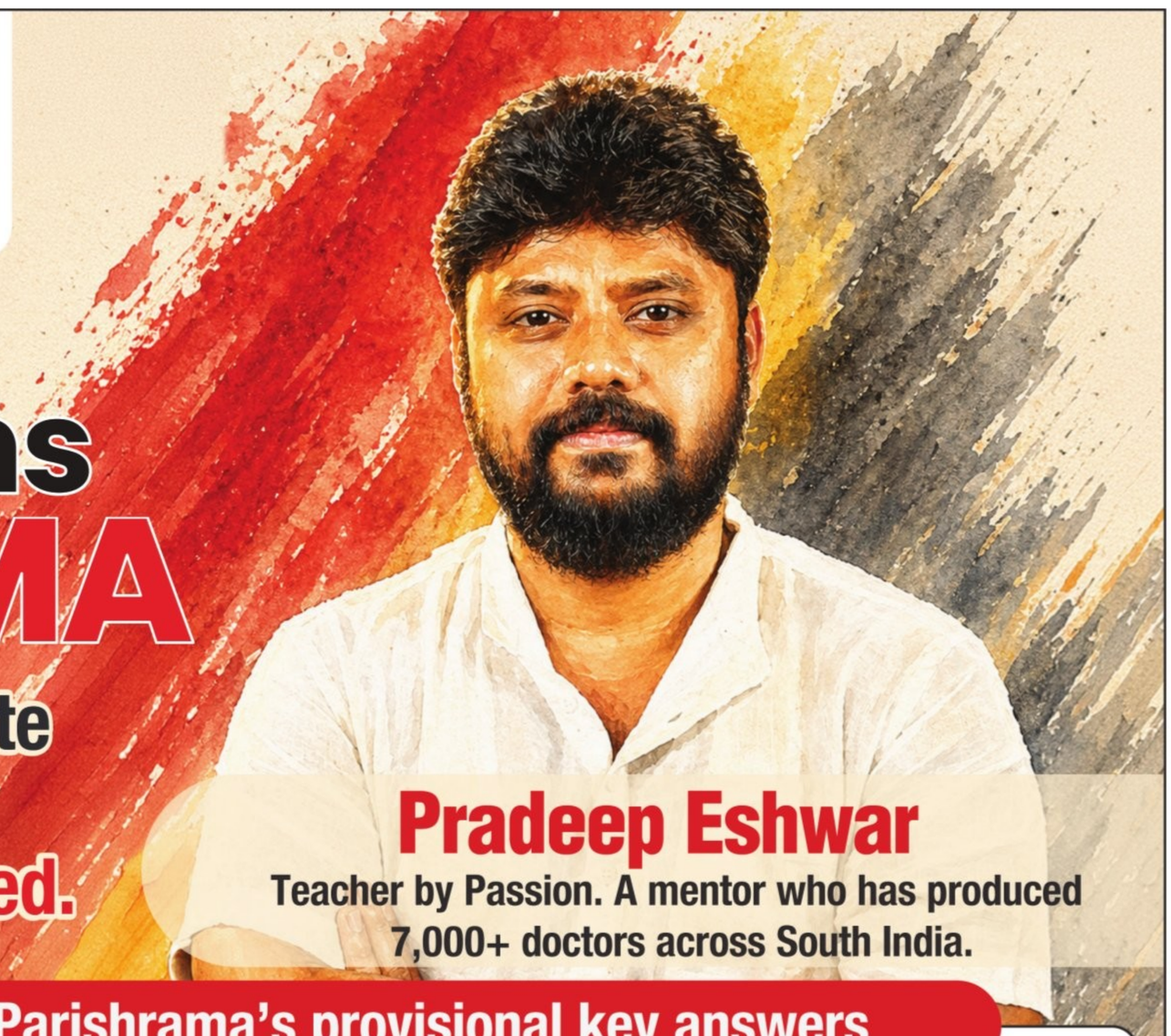

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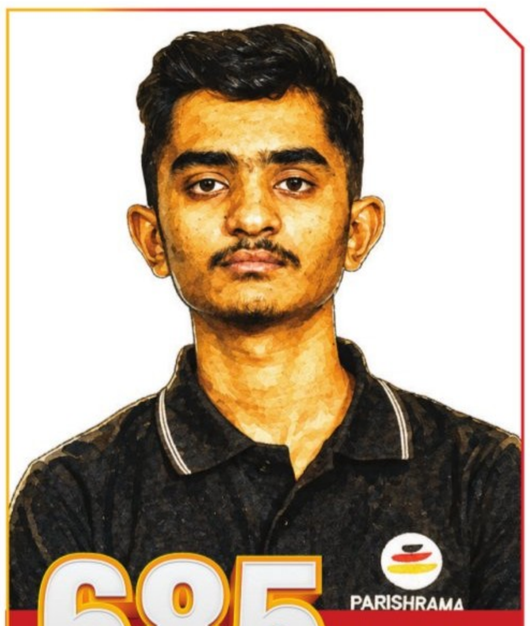

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POSSESSION NOTICE

(As per Appendix IV read with rule 8(1) of the Security Interest Enforcement Rules, 2002)

To,
1.Shree Ranga G, Prop of - Bhommi Organics,Office at- Survey No.36 P9, Hosakalanayanahalli Arsikere, Hassan, Karanataka-573103.
2. Shree Ranga G, S/o. Gundurao,R/at – No.17, 8TH Cross, Ittamadu, Banashanakari, 3rd stage, Benagaluru, Karnataka -560085.
.........**[Borrower]**
3.Vathsala A, W/o.Shree Ranga G, R/at – No.17, 8TH Cross, Ittamadu, Banashanakari, 3rd stage, Benagaluru,Karnataka -560085.
......**[Co-borrower]**

LOAN NO88328718 **ACCOUNT TYPE -** LAP

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of the HDFC Bank Ltd., under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(2) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, issued a demand notice dated **26.08.2025** calling upon the borrowers **1] Shree Ranga G, 2] Vathsala A** to repay the amount mentioned in the **Rs. 29,91,731.67** [Rupees Twenty Nine Lakhs Ninety One Thousand Seven Hundred Thirty One and Sixty Seven Paisa] along with interest, penal interest, costs etc. within 60 days from the date of the said notice.

The borrowers, having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers, in particular and the public, in general, that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under sub-section 4 of section 13 of the said Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on this day of **17-06-2026.**

The borrower, in particular, and the public, in general, are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the HDFC Bank Ltd, for an amount of **Rs.29,91,731.67/-** [Rupees Twenty Nine Lakhs Ninety One Thousand Seven Hundred Thirty One and Sixty Seven Paisa] along with interest thereon and penal interest,charges, costs etc. From 26.08.2025 (date of notice).

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

SCHEDULE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of property ID. No. 55-558-10, Muncipal new No.10, old No.17, measuring East to West 15.00 Feet and North to South 42.00 Feet, totally measuring 630. 00Sq.Feet situated at Ittumadu Village, Uttarahalli, Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk.
East - Property belongs to Mrs. Annapurna, West -Halla, North- Property Old No.10 belongs to Mrs. Lakshmamma, South- Road
(Property owned by. **Smt Vathsala A)**

Date: 17.06.2026
Place: Mangaluru

Sd/-
Authorised Officer,
For HDFC BANK Ltd.,

Regd.Office : HDFC Bank Limited, HDFC Bank House, Senapati Bapat Marg, Lower Parel (West), Mumbai - 400013.

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No. ep-106:ENGG:SE:Repair works:2026-27 **dated: 18-06-2026**

INVITATION FOR TENDERS (IFT) TENDER NOTIFICATION (Through GOK KPP Portal only) (http://kppp.karnataka.gov.in/eportal/index.seam.)

The Superintending Engineer invite tenders on behalf of Managing Director, KSSIDC as per Karnataka Transparency in Public Procurement Act 2000 from registered KPWD eligible Contractors (Civil/ electrical) who have adequate financial resources, state of the art technology, and suitable technical man power and sufficient past experience under Single Cover System/Two Cover system for the below mentioned works. The tenderer may submit tender through KPP Portal. The details of the works are as below.

Sl. No	Name of the work	EMD in Rs
1	Proposed repair and renovation of Techno Industrial Complex building of KSSIDC Kalaburgi, Kalaburgi Dist, Karnataka (Two Cover System)	3,13,000/-
2	Providing street light and 250 KVA transformer at Narayanapalya village, Nelamangala Industrial Estate, Bangalore (Single Cover system)	41,000/-

Tender shall be submitted along with EMD by logging in to KPPP website https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in (Karnataka State Small Industries Development Corporation Limited) through KPP portal. The document may be downloaded from 19-06-2026, 17.00 hours onwards.

Further for Calendar of Events and any other information/ clarification may be obtained from the Superintending Engineer during office hours or through KPP portal www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in or KPPP helpdesk No. 91-08046010000/91-08068948777

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DEMAND NOTICE

Under Section 13 (2) of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (Act) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Whereas the undersigned being the Authorised Officer of **HDFC Bank Limited** (erstwhile HDFC Limited having amalgamated with HDFC Bank Limited by virtue of a Scheme of Amalgamation approved by Hon'ble NCLT-Mumbai vide order dated 17th March 2023) **(HDFC)** under Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, issued Demand Notices under Section 13 (2) of the said Act, calling upon the Borrower(s) / Legal Heir(s) / Legal Representative(s) listed hereunder, to pay the amounts mentioned in the respective Demand Notice/s, within 60 days from the date of the respective Notice/s, as per details given below. The undersigned have, caused these Notices to be pasted on the premises of the last known respective addresses of the said Borrower(s) / Legal Heir(s) / Legal Representative(s). Copies of the said Notices are available with the undersigned, and the said Borrower(s) / Legal Heir(s) / Legal Representative(s), may, if they so desire, collect the respective copy from the undersigned on any working day during normal office hours.

In connection with the above, Notice is hereby given, once again, to the said Borrower(s) / Legal Heir(s) / Legal Representative(s) to pay to **HDFC,** within 60 days from the date of publication of this Notice, the amounts indicated herein below in their respective names, together with further interest as detailed in the said Demand Notices from the respective dates mentioned below in column (c) till the date of payment and / or realization, read with the loan agreement and other documents/writings, if any, executed by the said Borrower(s). As security for due repayment of the loan, the following Secured Asset(s) have been mortgaged to **HDFC** by the said Borrower (s) respectively.

Borrower(s) / Legal Heir(s) / Legal Representative(s) attention is invited to the provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured asset/s.

Sr. No.	Name of Borrower(s) / Legal Heir(s) / Legal Representative (s)	Total Outstanding Dues	Date of Demand Notice	Description of Secured Asset in respect of which Security Interest has been created
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(f)
1	**Mr. Jagadish Koodiyedath (Borrower)** **Hewlett Packard Enterprise India Private Limited** **Designation:** Project Manager, **Employee No:** 21647496 Hp Globalsoft Ltd, Ec1, Electronic City, Bengaluru 560100. **Mrs. Smita M N (Co-Borrower) Omega Health Care Management Services Private Limited, Designation:** Medical Code, **Department:** Coding, **Employee No:** 6119, No:6/3, Raja Complex, 3rd Floor, Bharadiyar Salai, Cantonment, Tiruchirappalli` Cantt, Tiruchirappalli-620001. **Mr. Jagadish Koodiyedath (Borrower)** **Mrs. Smita M N (Co-Borrower),** **Both are residing at:** Apt No 604, Oxford Spires Rustam Bagh, Off Hal Airport Road, Chandivali Farm Road, Bengaluru 560017. **Also at:** Ec-85a/203, Krishna Mahal, Evershine City Gokhivare Thane 400602. **Also at:** Flat No 201, Bldg-S, Rohan Jharoka Ph -2(P To W Blk), Kh. No. 184 Sy.No.20/1/3/4/5, Sy.No.32 & 33/2, Kempapura Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Krisnarajapuram, Bengaluru 560036.	**Loan A/c Nos.** **1) 605710337** **Rs.28,99,897/-** **2) 663560252** **Rs.6,81,133/-** **Total Amount** **(Rs.35,81,030/-** **(Rupees Thirty Five Lakhs Eighty One Thousand Thirty Only)** **as on** **30.04.2026**	**10.06.2026** .... **N.P.A. Date:** **(e)** **03.11.2025**	**Schedule I:** All that piece and parcel of converted lands comprised in Survey Nos. 20/1, 20/3, 20/4, 20/5, 20/6 and 20/7, all of Kempapura Village, Varthur Hobli, Presently Bangalore East Taluk, in all measuring 04 Acres 2 1/2 Guntas or 16440.17 square mts i.e 176961.98 square feet (after relinquishing 436.82 sq M for road widening), bearing Khata No. 184/20/1,3,4,5,6,7 ward No.86, comprising of the following: - **East by :** 40' Road in Sy.No.20/7 Kempapura village, and Sy.No.5/1 and 5/2, Yamalur Village. **West by :** Land bearing Sy No. 30/1 and 30/2 of kempapura village. **North by** : Road and Land of H.A.L in Sy.No.21 of Kempapura village. **South by :** Existing Residential Complex known as Rohan Jharoka and Road in Sy No.20/6 and 20/7 and Remaining portion of Sy.No.20/1,3 and 20/5. **Schedule II :** a)Apartment bearing No. S201 admeasuring built-up area about 101.34 sq.mtrs. i.e. 1091 sq.ft., situated on Second Floor in Building No. S Constructed on the schedule I Property in the Project known as **"ROHAN JHAROKA II".** b) Appurtenances :- Alongwith exclusive right to use one car parking space in the basement admeasuring area about 7.43 sq.mtrs and proportionate undivided share admeasuring area about 20.27 sq.mtrs. i.e. 218 sq.ft. in common area and facilities such as stairway, landing, club house, passages, lobbies, lifts, etc., (The plan of the Said Residential Unit & the plan of respective floor are annexed hereto as Annexure 1 and Annexure 2 respectively) (The said Residential Apartment has RCC structure, Vitrified tile flooring, Flush Doors, Electrical wiring being concealed with Water and Sanitary Connections and UPVC windows). **Schedule III:** All that undivided area admeasuring about 51.65 Sq. mtrs. i.e 0.314% undivided share, right, title and interest in the Schedule- I Property.
2	**Mr. Anurag Tyagi (Borrower)** **Neucure Lifesciences Private Limited** **Designation:** RBM, **Department:** Marketing 11th Floor Sankalp Square 3, Sindhubhavan Road Thaltej, Ahmedabad 380059. **Also at:** 1st A Cross Road, Kaverappa Layout Near, Eternity Astral Apartment, Kadubeesanahalli, Panathur Bengaluru 560103. **Also at:** Flat-A1-404, Floor-4, Janapriya Greenwood, A1 To A7 Blks, S No 74, Somashettyhalli, Yeshwanthpura Hobli, Bangalore 560090. **Mrs. Tyagi Shilpa (Co-Borrower)** Rrajpur Nawada, Bijnor, Up, Jalpur 246732. **Also at:** 302 Swetha Enclave, 1st A Cross Road, Kaverappa Layout, Bellandur S.O, Bengaluru 560103. **Also at:** Flat-A1-404, Floor-4, Janapriya Greenwood, A1 To A7 Blks, S No.74, Somashettyhalli, Yeshwanthpura Hobli, Bangalore 560090.	**Loan A/c Nos.** **684045136** **Rs.26,57,649/-** **(Rupees Twenty Six Lakhs Fifty Seven Thousand Six Hundred and Forty Nine Only)** **as on** **30.04.2026**	**10.06.2026** .... **N.P.A. Date:** **(e)** **03.02.2026**	**Schedule A:** All that piece and parcel of Immovable Property converted for residential purpose vide official memorandum ALN-SR(N)54/05-06, issued by the Special Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore bearing Survey No. 74, Situated at Sommashettyhalli Village, Yeshwanthapura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore admeasuring 3 Acres Out of which measuring 118059 Sq.ft, or 10968 Sq.mtrs Covered by Block No. A, bearing Katha No. 184, building named **"JANAPRIYA GREEN WOOD"** and bounded as follows : - **East by** : Remaining PortionSy.No.74; **West by :** Remaining Portion Sy.no.74; **North by** : Road, **South by** : Kereguddadahalli Gadi and Private Property. **Schedule B:** All that piece and parcel of Flat No. A1-404, with a Super built up area measuring 1035 sq.ft., consist of Two Bed Rooms with an undivided share of land measuring 463.473 Sq.ft., out of Schedule 'A' Property, Situated in Fourth Floor, in Block No. 'A' in **"JANAPRIYA GREEN WOOD",** constructed on Schedule 'A' Property, with 44.78 Sq.ft., or 4.16 mtrs for car parking to the said flat and bounded as follows:- **East by :** Open to Sky, **West by :** Passage to Staircase and Lift, **North by** : Open to Sky and Flat No. A1-405, **South by :** Open to Sky, The Specification of the said flat is constructed in R.C.C. roofing, vitrified/ceramic flooring salwood doors and aluminium windows.
3	**Mr. Swayin Sanjay Kumar (Borrower)** **Netsurion Technologies Private Limited** **Designation:** Lead Information SE, **Department:** Product Management, No-690, Gold Hills Square, Hosur Road, Bommanahalli, Bangalore Bazar Bengaluru 560001 **Also at:** Flat No 312/A, Confident Antlia 1, Near Sarjapur Police Station, Sarjapur, Bengaluru 562125. **Also at:** Plot No 350/A, Saheed Nagar, Bhubaneswar, Near Railway Crossing, Bhubaneswar, Odisha 751007. **Also at:** Flat-407, Floor-4, Confident Antlia-1, S No 416, Sarjapura Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore 562125.	**Loan A/c Nos.** **1) 674147794** **Rs.39,06,793/-** **2) 678305873** **Rs.3,22,558/-** **Total Amount** **Rs.42,29,351** **(Rupees Forty Two Lakhs Twenty Nine Thousand Three Hundred and Fifty One Only)** **as on** **30.04.2026**	**11.06.2026** .... **N.P.A. Date:** **(e)** **05.03.2026**	Schedule A: All that piece and parcel of the converted land bearing the Sy No. 416 measuring 1 Acres 17 Guntas (62073 Sq ft / 5768.866 Sq mt), is situated at Sarjapura Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Urban District, these land converted from Agricultural to Residential purposes by Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore Urban District, Bangalore Vide Order No. ALN (A) (S) SR 55/2005-06, dated: 29/08/2007 and bounded on by: **East by:** Private Property, **West by** : Road, **North by** : Private Property, **South by** : Private Property. **Schedule B:** All that piece and parcel of the undivided right, title, share and interest of **715 Sq.Ft/66.45 Sq.Mt** of land property out of the total extent of 1 Acre and 17 Guntas (62073 Sq.Ft/ 5768.866 Sq.Mt) in the "Schedule A Property" which is in proportion to the Super built-up area referred to "Schedule C Property" which has been allocated to the Purchaser by the Vendor in the project **"CONFIDENT ANTLIA - I'.** **Schedule C:** The Built up area allotted to the Purchaser, comprising an area of 1244 Sq.Ft/115.61 Sq.Mt of built up area in the Fourth Floor and earmarked as Flat No. 407, Khata No.1280/407, E-Khata Property No.150200102300103647, out of proportionate Super Built-up area of 1555 Sq.Ft/ 144.52 Sq.Mt in **"CONFIDENT ANTLIA – I"** and formed out of the property mentioned in the Schedule A' and approved by Anekal Planing Authority vide No. BMRDA/APA/ LAO/8/2007-08, and bounded by: **East by** : Open Space, **West by**: Flat No. 408, **North by**: Common Area, **South by**: Open space. **BETTER PARTICULARS OF THE APARTMENT:** Framed Structure with walls, RCC Roof, Vitrified Flooring, Sal Wood Doors and Aluminium Windows. with exclusive rights to use **One Top covered Car Parking Space** No. 53, issued by association RWA.
4	**Mr. Prabhu Vignesh Sekar (Borrower)** **Paycraft Solutions Private Limited** **Designation:** Senior Software Engi **Department:** Engineer, **Employee No:** Ps0286 78/9 Wework, Vaishnavi, Signature Outer Ring Road, Bellandur Village Varthur, Bengaluru 560103. **Also at:** 15-3, Ramasamy Street, Dharmapuri 636701 **Also at:** Unit-Frf-410, Floor-4, Surya Spaces, S No 37/4, Begur Village, Begur, Hb, South Taluk Bengaluru 560068.	**Loan A/c Nos.** **1) 662705607** **Rs.33,88,370/-** **2) 664504906** **Rs. 1,22,502/-** **Total Amount** **Rs.35,10,872/-** **(Rupees Thirty Five Lakhs Ten Thousand Eight Hundred and Seventy Two Only) as on** **30.04.2026**	**11.06.2026** .... **N.P.A. Date:** **(e)** **03.11.2025**	**Schedule A: (Description of Entire Land Property):** All the piece and parcel of property bearing consolidated BBMP Khata bearing No.100/37/4, measuring 20 guntas, converted land bearing survey No.37/4, duly converted for non-agricultural residential purpose, vide conversion order bearing No.BDS/ALN(SB) SR 73/2011-12 and No.BDS/ALN(SB) SR 70/2011-12, dated 24/11/2011, both are issued by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore, situated at Begur Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore and the same is bounded on the; **East by** : Land bearing survey No.38, **West by** :Road and Remaining land in survey No.37/4, **North by** : Private Property, **South by** : Remaining land in survey No.37/4 belonging to Sri.Nanjundappa. **Schedule B: 315 square feet** of undivided share of right, title and interest in all that piece and parcel of the land in the amalgamated schedule A property herein. **Schedule 'C':** All that piece and parcel of the two bed rooms residential apartment/flat bearing unit **No.FrF-410,** situated at fourth floor, having super built up area of 1130 square feet in the above said residential apartment/building known as **"SURYA SPACES",** constructed in the amalgamated schedule A property herein along with one covered car parking area bearing No.FrF-410 in the basement/stilt floor, finished with RCC roofing and vitrified tiles flooring with water, electricity and sewerage amenities together with all common areas, such as passages, lobbies, lift/s, staircase/s and all other areas of common use etc., Super built up area means and includes exclusive floor area of each residential apartment/flat and proportionate areas covered by all common walls, passages, stair/s, lift/s, well/s and room/s, water drainage and electrical conduits and all other areas used in common with all other residential apartments/flats purchaser/s of the above said entire residential apartment/building.
5	**Mr. Kidangan Arun (Borrower)** **Swiss Re Global Business Solutions India Private Limited** **Designation:** Technical Acc Ii **Department:** Calm Europe, **Employee No:** 1019 No 21, Langford Town, Bengaluru 560027. **Also at:** No 10 5, Tapasi Paradise, F No 101, 5th Main, Chikkadugodi, Bangalore 560029 **Also at:** Flat-412, Floor-4th, Midhila Deluxe, Nos.5,6,7,8,9,14,15,22,23,24,16,17,18,19,20,21,25A,26, 27,28, Maruthi Nagar, Kogilu Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bengaluru 560063.	**Loan A/c Nos.** **609857406** **Rs.28,37,319/-** **(Rupees Twenty Eight Lakhs Thirty Seven Thousand Three Hundred and Nineteen Only)** **as on** **30.04.2026**	**10.06.2026** .... **N.P.A. Date:** **(e)** **03.11.2025**	**Schedule A:** All that piece and parcel of the property bearing numbers **Nos. 5,6,7, 8, 9, 14, 15, 22, 23, 24, 16, 17, 18, 19,20, 21, 25A, 26, 27 and 28** B.B.M.P Katha Number No.866/5, Situated at Maruthi Nagar, Kogilu Village Road, Yelahanka, Bangalore North Measuring East to West 183.5 + 165.3/2 Feet and North to South 223 + 147/2 Feet in all measuring 32,265 Square feet and bounded on the: **East by** : Private Property, **West by :** Road, **North by** : Maruthi Nagar Housing Board Layout, **South by** : Property belonging to Smt. Vijayamma . **Schedule B:** A Two Bedroom Apartment bearing **No. 412,** situated in Fourth Floor of the Building known as **"MIDHILA DELUXE"** constructed on SCHEDULE 'A' PROPERTY with a super built up area of **1010.Sq ft** along with a covered car parking space situated in the basement and having R. C. C. Roofing, Vitrified Flooring, Teak Wood finish for Main Door and other doors made of wooden frames and M.S.D./Flush shutters, Windows are of wooden frame and Hone shutters along with electricity, bore well water and sanitary connection, together with an undivided land share, right, title, claim and interest in the land comprised in the Schedule 'A' Property total equivalent to 271 sqft.
6	**Mr. Ramesh Chandra Shekaraiah (Borrower)** C/o Late H V Chandrashekariah, **Honeycomb Telnet Private Limited** **Designation:** Project Head, **Department:** Project **Employee No:** H005, No 105 1st Floor No 105 1st Floor, Aerolex Center,Kh Road, Shathi Nagar, Shanthi Nagar Bangalore 560027. **Mrs. C Uma Maheswari (Co-Borrower)** **Good Samaritan Public School** **Designation:** Admin, **Department:** Teacher 12th Cross, Abbaiah Reddy Layout, Kaggadasapura, C.V.Raman Nagar S.O, Bengaluru 560093. **Mr. Ramesh Chandra Shekaraiah (Borrower)** **C/**o Late H V Chandrashekariah, **Mrs. C Uma Maheswari (Co-Borrower)** **Both are residing at :** G2 C Block Ground Floor, Nagavara Palya 10thk Cross, Near Anjeneya Temple, C.V.Raman Nagar S.O Bengaluru 560093. **Also at:** No 211 9a 1stfloor, Sanjivappa Layout, 10th E Cross, Cv Ramannagar Bengaluru 560093. **Also at:** Flat-G-2, Floor-Ground, Saptagiri Maharshi Residency, Katha No.26, Nagavarapalya,Benniganahalli, Dhakale, K R Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore 560043.	**Loan A/c Nos.** **1) 633371545** **Rs.12,69,379/-** **2) 671662252** **Rs.4,03,457/-** **Total Amount** **Rs.16,72,836/-** **(Rupees Sixteen Lakhs Seventy Two Thousand Eight Hundred and Thirty Six Only) as on** **30.04.2026**	**11.06.2026** .... **N.P.A. Date:** **(e)** **03.02.2026**	**Schedule A:** All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing BBMP Katha No.26, PID No.83-74-26, Situated at: Nagavarapalya, Benniganahalli Dhakale, K.R.Puram Hobli, earlier Bangalore South Taluk, Presently Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore Mahanagara Palike Old Ward No.83, Now Comes under BRUHATH BANGALORE MAHANAGARA PALIKE Limits, New Ward No.57, Bangalore, totally measuring about 42303 Sq feet., and bounded by: **East by :** Private Property of Kubendra and Ashwathappa, **West by** : Road, **North by** : Private property Shamanna, Site No.5, and Railway Service Road, **South by** : Site No.7 V. Narayanappa's Property and Road. **SCHEDULE 'B' : 337 Sq.ft.,** undivided share, right, title and interest in the immovable property mentioned in Schedule 'A' above. **Schedule C:** Flat bearing **No.G-2,** BBMP Katha No.26/G2-Block-C, PID No.83-74- 26/G2-Block-C, in ' Ground Floor' measuring **1090 Sq.ft, of** Super built up area, containing Two Bed Rooms, together with RCC Roofing, Ceramic flooring along with **One Covered Car parking space,** including proportionate share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, staircases, etc., in Block 'C' Known as **'PADMAVATHI'** in the multistoried residential building known as, **"SAPTAGIRI MAHARSH RESIDENCY"** constructed over the schedule 'A' Property.
	Mr. Sarvjeet Kumar Soni (Borrower) **Narayana Hrudayalaya Private Limited** **Designation:** Manager, **Department:** Marketing 258/A, Bommasandra Industrial, Anekal Taluk Bengaluru 560002. **Mr. Sarvjeet Kumar Soni (Borrower)** **Mrs. Kumari Shilpa (Co-Borrower)** **Both are residing at:** H002, Sipani Bliss-1, Madivala Village Marsur Post, Kasaba Hobli Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru 562106. **Also at:** Flat No 106, Sai Golden Nest Appt, Vignan Nagar, Jeevabhimanagar, Bengaluru 560075 **Also at:** Flat-216, Floor-1, Dhiraan Newyork Meadows, S No 29/2, Iggaluru Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk Bengaluru 560099.	**Loan A/c Nos.** **1) 651548037** **Rs.23,56,954/-** **2) 652545781** **Rs.2,53,668/-** **Total Amount** **Rs.26,10,622/-** **(Rupees Twenty Six Lakhs Ten Thousand Six Hundred and Twenty Two Only)** **as on** **30.04.2026**	**11.06.2026** .... **N.P.A. Date:** **(e)** **06.05.2026**	**Schedule A:** All that piece and parcel of the residential converted land bearing **Sy.No.29/2** (Vide Conversion Order bearing Official Memorandum No.BDS.ALN.(A):SR:424/2004-05 dated 11.02.2005 issued by the Special Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore), situated at Iggaluru Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Urban District, measuring 1 acre 26 guntas and bounded as follows : **East by :** Road, **West by :** Land Belongs To Chandra Reddy, **North by** : Land Belongs To Naraynappa , **South by :** Land Belongs To Thimmaraya Reddy. **Schedule B:** All that piece parcel of a Two (2) BHK Flat No. 216 in Block No 'A' First Floor having super built up area of 885 sq. feet with an undivided 280 sq. feet of share, right, title and interest in the land / Schedule 'A' Property and **one car parking space** in the Stilt/basement Floor being the part of the apartment building known as **'DHIRAAN NEWYORK MEADOWS'** constructed over the Schedule 'A' Property with RCC framed structure, Concrete Block Masonry, Main door American teak frame and Steam Breach Veneered flush Shutter and room doors sal wood with water proof flush shutters, Powder coated aluminum windows with glass & safety grills, vitrified flooring etc., and **bounded as follows : East by :** Corridor, **West by :** Duct, **North by :** Duct, **South by :** Corridor.

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Germany players celebrate Deniz Undav's (L) second goal on Saturday | AP

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GERMANY ENTER KNOCKOUTS, HISTORIC POINT FOR CURACAO

Germany become third side to officially qualify for the World Cup Round of 32 while debutants Curacao hold Ecuador to a goalless draw. A look...

DENIZ THE MENACE, YAMAL OPENS ACCOUNT

Substitute Deniz Undav was the standout as Germany beat Ivory Coast 2-1 in Toronto on Saturday. Undav scored the equaliser in the 68th-minute before going on to score a dramatic injury-time winner. On Sunday, Lamine Yamal made a goalscoring return for Spain as the European champions got their campaign back on track with a 4-0 drubbing of Saudi Arabia.

A POINT TO REMEMBER FOR DEBUTANTS

- Goalkeeper Eloy Room was the hero, keeping out a record 15 shots as Curacao secured their first ever World Cuo point.
- Lionel Messi will once again be in focus when Argentina face Austria today as he looks to become all-time leading goalscorer in WC history — he currently shares the top spot with Miroslav Klose (16 goals) | **P13**

TODAY'S MATCHES

Group J: Argentina vs Austria (10:30 PM), Jordan vs Algeria (8:30 AM*).
Group I: France vs Iraq (2:30 AM*), Norway vs Senegal (5:30 AM*).
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NEET-UG retest done, Physics stumps many

No slip-ups this time; questions far more difficult, say experts

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ New Delhi

A collective sigh of relief was evident across the country on Sunday evening after the NEET-UG retest concluded without any slip-ups. For a majority of the 20 lakh-odd medical aspirants across India who sat for the re-examination on Sunday, nearly six weeks after the original test was scrapped following a paper leak that triggered widespread protests and put the government on the defensive, the question paper appeared much tougher than the earlier one.

The National Testing Agency (NTA) said candidates appeared at 5,440 centres in India and 14 abroad, with the exam conducted in 13 languages. Around seven lakh officials — including police personnel, observers and examination staff — were deployed to oversee the exercise, completed in what the agency described as a record 37 days.

"This was not the NTA acting alone. It was Team Bharat — a chain of people across the country who showed up so that, for each candidate, the only thing that mattered that morning was the paper in front of them," Director General of NTA, Abhishek Singh, said in a statement.

NTA announced the results would be released earlier than expected.

Security was visibly tightened at examination centres, with Aadhaar-based biometric authentication, CCTV surveillance, signal jammers and a mandatory two-layer frisking deployed. Impersonation attempts and forged admit cards were detected at a few locations, NTA Director General Abhishek Singh confirmed.

"There have been a few instances of the usage of fake admit cards as well as fake Aadhaar cards by a few who tried to write the exam for others. They could not succeed in their objective," Singh said.

A candidate being frisked ahead of NEET-UG retest in Nagpur on Sunday | PTI

NTA is especially grateful to the experts from academic institutions across the country who gave their personal time to help prepare multiple sets of question papers — National Testing Agency

CJP protest to continue on Monday, farmers invited

The Cockroach Janta Party on Sunday invited farmer groups to join its protests over alleged exam irregularities and the NEET paper leak, with founder Abhijeet Dipke saying the protest at Delhi's Jantar Mantar will continue on Monday. On the second day of the protest, Dipke sought support from farmer unions and reiterated the demand for Union Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan's resignation. He also alleged that Delhi Police personnel were seeking Aadhaar details and addresses of people donating water and food to the protesters

PM Modi delays travel back home in view of retest

Preventing standard security-related traffic restrictions, Prime Minister Narendra Modi delayed his departure from Delhi Airport by around 45 minutes on Sunday to avoid traffic disruptions for NEET-UG re-examination candidates. Arriving at Delhi's IGI airport from Kolkata at 1.15 pm, PM Modi learned that the NEET-UG exam was slated to start at 2 pm and there were several exam centres along his route to Lok Kalyan Marg, his residence. The PM chose to hold his convoy until most students reached their centres, officials said

A male candidate who attempted to hide a SIM card and an old question paper in his undergarments was caught, said a PTI report.

Students though appeared flummoxed by the difficulty level of the Physics segment of the test. Students told this paper that the question paper was much tougher than the cancelled May 3 exam. Deepak Kumar, who was making his fifth attempt, said, "Biology was easy but Physics is what I would call tough. Let me see how much I can score."

A good number of candidates across the country missed the exam by turning up late and were denied entry after 1.30 pm for re-exam.

Leading coaching centre Akash Educational Services Limited said this NEET was calculation-heavy and rigorous and the cut-off is slated to correct below 600.

Two workers dead, 62 hospitalised after ammonia gas leak at plant near Chennai

RAJALAKSHMI SAMPATH
@ Chennai

TWO women workers from Odisha died and 62 others were hospitalised after an ammonia gas leak from a seafood export unit at Kannigaipair near Periyapalayam (around 40km from Chennai) in Tiruvallur district on Sunday morning. The deceased were identified as Jumani Juang (19) and Malati (20). The condition of seven workers is critical, sources said. Chief Minister C Joseph Vijay has ordered a probe by a high-level committee and a solatium of ₹2 lakh each to kin of the deceased. Police registered a case and are questioning the unit's owners.

The workers, most of them young women aged 19-20 and hailing from Odisha, Jharkhand, Assam and West Bengal, were off-duty and resting in their hostel rooms about 50m from the unit's ammonia plant when the leak occurred around 11 am. The National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) team, roped in by the Tamil Nadu government to carry out rescue operations, said the gas had spread to the workers' accommodation, causing them breathing difficulties and discomfort. According to Health Minister K G Arunraj, one of the workers killed died on the way to the hospital. Of the 62 hospitalised, 58 are women and four are men.

An NDRF official told *TNIE* that the unit's main ammonia storage was on the ground floor. The leak is suspected to have been from a nozzle on a pipeline carrying the gas to the first floor. "We suspect this caused the incident, but the exact cause will be known only after a detailed technical investigation," he said.

Briefing reporters after visiting the victims at the Rajiv Gandhi Government General Hospital and Government Stanley Medical College Hospital, Arunraj said experts had reported a high level of ammonia, around 300 ppm, in the air at the plant.

Workers being treated at a government hospital in Chennai on Sunday (left); NDRF personnel clear the dormitory | EXPRESS

HOURS THAT FOLLOWED THE LEAK

1. The ammonia gas leak took place around 11 am on Sunday at the seafood export unit, spreading to the workers' accommodation
2. Health Minister K G Arunraj said that experts had reported a high level of ammonia, around 300 ppm, in the air at the plant
3. About 130 unaffected workers, hailing from Odisha, Jharkhand, Assam and West Bengal, were sent to a wedding hall nearby
4. Police registered a case under sections 105 and 125(a) of the BNS. Unit owners, Mohan and Joseph, were detained by police for inquiry

WORLD TAKES TO YOGA

People perform yoga during a session on the occasion of the International Day of Yoga at Namo Ghat in Varanasi on Sunday | PTI

EXPRESS READ

IB director likely to get extension a third time

NEW DELHI: The Centre is learnt to be considering a rare third consecutive extension in service for Intelligence Bureau Director Tapan Kumar Deka, which sources said reflects the leadership's emphasis on continuity in the country's internal security architecture | **P9**

Will repeat Bengal poll win in Punjab: Nabin

CHANDIGARH: BJP national president Nitin Nabin on Sunday said his party will form the next government in Punjab and replicate its electoral success in other states, including West Bengal. It is being viewed as part of the BJP's strategy to expand its political footprint in Punjab |**P10**

City traffic forces many to miss test

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

GETTING to the exam centres conducting the National Eligibility cum Entrance Test (NEET) in Bengaluru on Sunday was a tale of two cities. While most students assigned to the Government Ramnarayan Chellaram College of Commerce and Management on Race Course Road, for instance, faced no trouble getting to the venue, at least two students assigned to the college – and many more at other centres – were delayed and denied entry. They were allegedly caught in traffic congestion caused by the swearing-in of newly-appointed Karnataka Pradesh Congress Committee (KPCC) chief BK Hariprasad.

Videos of students crying inconsolably, for being denied entry into the centre for arriving late by just a few minutes, were doing the rounds on social media. They were seen pleading with the examiners to excuse them and allow them entry. One of the students who arrived late was seen jumping the college fence. Some parents requested leniency, citing traffic jams caused by the Congress event, but exam centre gates closed at 1.30 pm as per NEET guidelines. *TNIE* could not independently verify or confirm any causality between the two events.

"Congress could have chosen any other day for its rally at Palace Grounds. Instead, it chose the very day thousands of students are appearing for NEET. As traffic disruptions choked Bengaluru, many students were delayed, and pleaded with authorities to be allowed inside," said Bengaluru South MP Tejasvi Surya. **P5**

Entire AMMA exec panel, including president, quits

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Kochi

SHWETHA Menon, the first woman president of the Association of Malayalam Movie Artists (AMMA), and the entire executive committee on Sunday stepped down amid mounting internal rifts.

The resignations followed the annual general body meeting in Kochi, which witnessed heated arguments over the annual report and statement of accounts. Several senior members alleged financial discrepancies.

Shwetha said Sunday's incidents were part of an agenda. "I feel efforts were going on to hand over the association to persons against whom allegations had been raised. I am not willing to act as a puppet for such people. There is a conspiracy," she said.

The general body later appointed an ad-hoc committee headed by Ramesh Pisharody to manage the association.

NEW PRESIDENT

33% quota for women in KPCC, says Hariprasad

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

TAKING charge as Karnataka Pradesh Congress Committee (KPCC) president, BK Hariprasad at a big-ticket rally at the Palace Grounds here on Sunday vowed to adhere to Congress Parliamentary Party (CPP) chief Sonia Gandhi's principles. He announced 33% reservation for women in KPCC posts.

He urged Chief Minister DK Shivakumar to replace those who enjoyed power at boards and corporations for the last two-and-a-half years with party workers, who are waiting for their turn.

"Sonia Gandhi, Mallikarjun Kharge, Rahul Gandhi and Priyanka Gandhi have given me the opportunity to serve. I also thank senior party leaders for making Shivakumar, who has dedicated his life to Congress and adopted principles of the party in his blood, as chief minister," he remarked.

"I will strengthen Congress ideologically under the guidance of our senior leaders and with the support of workers. This responsibility is not an authority for me, but a sacred opportunity to serve the party and people," he said. **P6**

New KPCC chief BK Hariprasad and CM DK Shivakumar at Palace Grounds in Bengaluru on Sunday | NAGARAJA GADEKAL

Kharge slams Modi on inflation, foreign policy

AICC president Mallikarjuna Kharge on Sunday trained his guns at Prime Minister Narendra Modi, blaming him on various issues, from rising inflation to "failure" of foreign policy. He was speaking at a rally at which MLC BK Hariprasad took charge as KPCC president. **P6**

SELF-RELIANCE PUSH

3 indigenous ships join Navy in boost for India's maritime power

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Kolkata

PRIME Minister Narendra Modi on Sunday commissioned three indigenously designed and built naval vessels, INS Dunagiri, INS Sanshodhak and INS Agray, at the Shyama Prasad Mookerjee Port in Kolkata, highlighting the country's push for maritime strength and defence self-reliance under the Make in India initiative.

"Nobody can ignore the importance of maritime power. No nation can become a great power without it," Modi said, pointing to the growing strategic significance of sea routes, undersea data networks, critical minerals and emerging energy resources. Referring to INS Vikrant, India's first domestically built aircraft carrier, he said, "When we presented INS Vikrant to the nation, we announced India's self-sufficiency in maritime power to the world. Today, INS Dunagiri, INS Sanshodhak and INS Agray add speed to that journey." Modi stressed India must move beyond being a buyer. "India no longer wants to be a buyer. India wants to be a manufacturer. The day we become a manufacturer, we will also be the decider," he said.

INS Dunagiri is a stealth frigate, while INS Sanshodhak is a survey vessel and INS Agray is an anti-submarine warfare shallow water craft.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi receives a memento from Chief of Naval Staff Admiral Krishna Swaminathan during the tri-commissioning ceremony in Kolkata on Sunday | PTI

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• Gulikakala: 01:30 pm to 03:00 pm • Yamaganda: 10:30 am to 12:00 pm

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BDA apartment residents flag security concerns

Several amenities, including wall, incomplete

An unfinished compound wall at Skandagiri Apartment Phase-II in Konadasapura | EXPRESS

INDRA S @ Bengaluru

RESIDENTS of Skandagiri Apartment Phase-II at Konadasapura, which is developed by Bangalore Development Authority (BDA), have alleged that work on several basic amenities remain incomplete nearly two years after occupancy. This is causing security concerns, water supply issues and mounting maintenance costs, they said. The project, comprising 672 flats in six 14-storey blocks, was developed by a private contractor on behalf of the BDA. The housing complex is fully sold and currently houses more than 600 families.

Among the key concerns are the absence of a boundary wall on one side of the complex, inadequate CCTV coverage, insufficient street lighting and water supply issues. According to the residents, the missing compound wall has resulted in repeated incidents of trespassing, unauthorised entry and theft.

Naveen Holla, one of the residents, told TNIE that water scarcity is the most pressing issue for the community. He said the borewells are not able to cater to the total demand, forcing the apartment complex to rely on 18 to 20 water tankers carrying about 13,000 litres each every day. The residents reported sewage blockages and pipeline clogging caused by hard water deposits. Although the Sewage Treatment Plant (STP) was recently cleaned after missing an April deadline, the benefits of the work are yet to be fully realised, he said.

Another resident, Kiran R, said flat owners paid around Rs 72,000 per flat towards two years of maintenance at the time of purchase in 2024, amounting to nearly Rs 5 crore collectively. However, several promised facilities and infrastructure components are not yet available, he said.

Kiran also alleged that despite the presence of borewells within the premises, the water sources are not effectively connected to the distribution system yet, forcing residents to depend heavily on private water tankers which cost Rs 1,300 each. He urged the BDA to complete all pending infrastructure works before the maintenance support expires in November.

Concerns have also been raised about improper garbage disposal and recurring basement flooding during rains.

Meanwhile, a BDA official said the construction of the compound wall could not be completed owing to a technical issue. Regarding water supply, the official said earlier borewells yielded insufficient water because of the rocky terrain in the area, necessitating the drilling of an additional borewell, which is now being used.

The official also said that the BDA has approached the Bangalore Water Supply and Sewerage Board (BWSSB) for a Cauvery water connection. The housing complex would be covered once the BWSSB extends its network to the area under its phased implementation plan. The official assured residents that all pending works would be completed at the earliest.

EXPRESS READ

KEA begins seat allotment, deadline June 30

BENGALURU: The Karnataka Examinations Authority (KEA) has started the first round of seat allotment process for admission to engineering, veterinary, agriculture and other courses. On the KEA website, the entry portal for the first round is now live for candidates to enter their preferred courses and colleges (in order of preference), the deadline for which is 10 am on June 30. KEA executive director H Prasanna said the result of the mock seat allotment will be announced at 11 am on July 6. Candidates will then be allowed to add, delete, modify, or rearrange their options until July 9. The final seat allotment will be published on July 15. The seat matrices for agriculture, veterinary science and BSc nursing have been released. For engineering courses, only the draft seat matrix has been published. Details will be uploaded on the website when the final version is available. "To avoid delays for students seeking admission to non-medical courses due to the NEET re-test, KEA has dropped its earlier plan of conducting a pre-round seat allotment. The counselling will begin with the first round," read a statement from the organisation. The last date to apply for the posts of agriculture officer and assistant agriculture officer is extended to June 25. **ENS**

People participate in a yoga session in front of Vidhana Soudha on the International Yoga Day on Sunday; (R) Students perform yoga at Greenwood High International School in Bengaluru | KEVIN NASHON /EXPRESS

Thousands across city observe International Yoga Day

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FROM Vidhana Soudha to schools, from universities to hospitals, the 12th International Yoga Day attracted enthusiastic participants from across Bengaluru on Sunday. Large events were also organised by government departments, public sector undertakings and private organisations under this year's theme, "Yoga for Healthy Ageing".

The main celebration was held on the grand steps of Vidhana Soudha, where Governor Thaawarchand Gehlot, Health Minister UT Khader and several other dignitaries participated in a mass yoga session. The programme featured a 40-minute common yoga protocol session.

Khader told the participants that yoga, which originated in India and has been practised from ancient times by sages and seers, has now gained global recognition. Yoga should be taken to every household, even as the government is working on appointing yoga instructors in villages and remote areas to make the practice accessible to all sections of society.

One of the largest institutional celebrations was organised by the Rajiv Gandhi University of Health Sciences (RGUHS). Over 45,000 students and staff from over 600 institutions participated. The event followed a 10-day training programme conducted by yoga practitioners from 12 naturopathy colleges, including the SDM Institute of Yoga and Naturopathy.

The Bengaluru division of the South-Western Railways celebrated the occasion with a mass yoga demonstration on the Railway Grounds in MG Colony. Railway officers, employees and their families participated in the session conducted by yoga instructor Kishore and his team from the Art of Living. Divisional Railway Manager Ashutosh Kumar Singh highlighted the importance of yoga in improving concentration, physical health, mental well-being and inner peace.

Yoga sessions were also organised by the National Highways Authority of India at its regional office in Bengaluru and its Project Implementation Units across Karnataka.

Rashtriya Military School, Bengaluru, organised a yoga session attended by teaching and non-teaching staff and their families. Yoga trainer Abinaya Ramesh Kumar spoke about the history and significance of International Yoga Day before participants performed synchronised asanas, pranayama and meditation exercises.

At the International Institute of Information Technology-Bangalore, students, faculty members and other staff participated in a yoga session. Director Dr Debabrata Das denoted yoga as a holistic discipline that promotes health, resilience, focus and inner harmony, adding that small daily efforts are essential for lifelong well-being.

The National Institute of Mental Health and Neurosciences (Nimhans), Sankara Eye Hospital, Young Indians (Yi), Snehadeep Trust for the Disabled, Karnataka Welfare Association for the Blind, Vinyasa Trust, Greenwood High International School and East Point Group of Institutions also observed the day.

Actor Darshan joins the Yoga Day event held at Parappana Agrahara

Over 4,000 prisoners join Yoga Day celebrations

BENGALURU: More than 4,000 inmates of Bengaluru Central Prison participated in a yoga session on Saturday as part of the International Yoga Day celebrations held at Parappana Agrahara. Kannada actor Darshan, who is lodged in the prison in connection with a murder case, was also seen taking part in the session. Speaking at the event, Director General of Police (Prisons & and Correctional Services) Alok Kumar highlighted the importance of yoga in promoting physical fitness, mental well-being, self-confidence and a disciplined lifestyle. Organised under the theme "Yoga for Healthy Ageing", the session drew inmates from various sections of the prison, including the women's wing, convicted prisoners' wing, Annex-1 block, high-security wing and undertrial prisoners' wing. As part of the initiative, UCO Bank donated 1,500 yoga mats for inmates, while the Prison Ministry of India provided 120 yoga mats for women inmates. Members of the Art of Living Foundation also participated in the programme. Inmates and prison officials performed various yoga postures and pranayama exercises. **ENS**

LURKING DANGER

A long patch of damaged surface on Netaji Road poses danger for motorists near Coles Park in Bengaluru on Sunday | SHASHIDHAR BYRAPPA

JDS meets chief secy, opposes land acquisition for new Bidadi Township

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THE Janata Dal Secular (JDS) has met and submitted a memorandum to Karnataka Chief Secretary Shalini Rajneesh, urging the State to withdraw its proposed acquisition of agricultural land in clusters of Bidadi and Harohalli under the pretext of a township project. The delegation was led by JDS' Greater Bengaluru president HM Ramesh Gowda and included Bengaluru West district president T Thimmegowda, Bengaluru South district president HC Krishna and Bengaluru East district president Nataraj Gangadhar. JDS said, more than 498 acres of fertile agricultural land are being acquired in the first phase alone, affecting nearly 750 families. Of those affected, around 614 farmers are small and marginal landholders. "The government is planning to acquire between 7,481 and 9,600 acres in the next phase. Since farmers are unwilling to part with their land, the government is attempting to deposit compensation amounts in court and proceed with the acquisition, potentially depriving thousands of farmers of their land," said Gowda. They said that acquiring the Bidadi region for a real-estate-driven township project was unacceptable.

Nikhil marches 11 km in protest

JDS Youth Wing leader Nikhil Kumaraswamy on Sunday criticised the state government for its alleged high-handed approach towards farmers protesting against the acquisition of their land for Bidadi Township project. Along with his supporters, Nikhil took out an 11km protest march on Sunday. He said farmers from three villages have been protesting for the past 450 days, but no senior government functionary has spoken to them. On June 12, the government issued a final notification to acquire 499 acres across three villages without getting the consent of affected farmers, he alleged.

Horoscopes By Holiday

HOLIDAY MATHIS

22nd June : The Libra Principle Until Charles Darwin suggested the wide variety of flora on Earth couldn't be possible without cross-fertilization, it was the prevalent belief that flowers fertilized themselves. The cosmic omens reiterate the point under the moon of harmonious union -- no strain of loveliness is self-perpetuating. Beauty is birthed by blend.

ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr. 20)
If you're feeling off-center or unsure of what to do next, today brings the beacon of an obvious purpose. This likely comes in the form of someone who needs you. The service you give will teach and enrich you.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 - May 20)
As the time travelers in movies always find out -- try as you might, it's impossible to have an impact that doesn't alter the timeline. Today's small and insignificant move will set off a chain of events, domino-style.

GEMINI (May 21 - June 21)
You'll deal with something complicated. Maybe you're not naturally excited about it but you have the patience, focus and motivation to handle the complexity anyway. Even if the task is not enjoyable, you're willing and able to work through it because it matters or needs attention.

CANCER (June 22 - July 22)
In the same way that gold is a chemical element that scientists believe is the result of neutron star collisions, much of the gold in your soul also originated in impactful past moments that taught you to form in a way that is rare, beautiful and valuable.

LEO (July 23 - Aug. 22)
You're a magnet for good deals today, and you'll get much more for your money than you were hoping for. It's true whether you're paying a little or a whole lot. It's like the universe wants to reward your savvy.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22)
With new people, you may feel your way around a conversation with hints. But with people who love and know you well, direct communication is the way. It's kinder and more effective than hoping they'll pick up subtle signals.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 - Oct. 23)
Forgiveness is not the same thing as surrendering your judgment or abandoning your boundaries. You can release bitterness while still protecting yourself from repeated harm. Peace comes from deciding the pain no longer gets to direct your life.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24 - Nov. 21)
The default settings are often the most used, not because they are preferred but because changing them requires effort. Put thought into your routines, systems and surroundings up front, and life will become easier to navigate well.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21)
Your senses are your conduit to the world, but they get dulled or even blocked by familiarity. Today brings just the freshness you need -- of faces, environments, methods and more. And when you return home, you'll see things anew.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19)
You're weighing a risk, and your concerns deserve consideration, but constant worry will not improve the outcome. Fear can distort decisions and drain your confidence. Put more energy into building what you want than rehearsing what you hope to avoid.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18)
You are drawn toward a promising and mysterious person. Unanswered questions are key to the magnetism. Don't rush to solve every riddle or satisfy every curiosity because it robs the situation of a sense of discovery.

PISCES (Feb. 19 - Mar 20)
Current systems and routines will eventually be outdated. Change is coming, and you already sense the future direction. But the present still deserves full participation while it remains the reality you're living in. Don't mentally abandon the current moment too early.

Solutions to Saturday's puzzle

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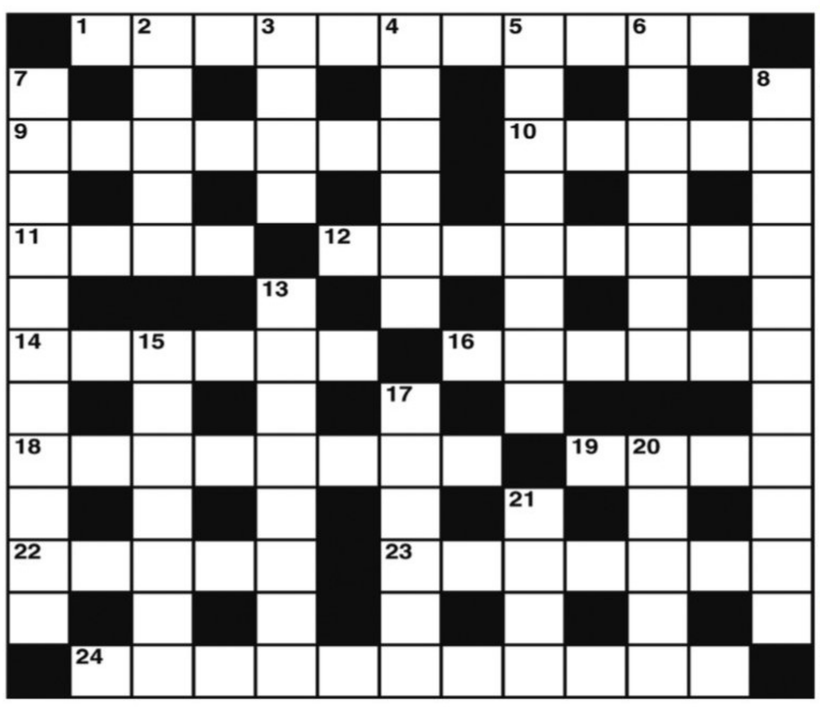
SUDOKU EASY

TEST YOUR NUMBER CRUNCHING SKILL WITH OUR UNIQUE PUZZLE

Fill in the grid with digits in such a manner that every row, every column and every 3X3 box accommodates the digits 1 to 9, without repeating any.



CROSS WORD

ACROSS
1 First offence (8,3)
9 An unusual form of greed got one's back up (7)
10 Entitled to be majestic (5)
11 A bit of radio talent but very little (4)
12 One flies from such crimes (8)
14 Mother's returned a kitchen utensil - it's junk (6)
16 Wallow in confusion (6)
18 Unusually apt due to being right in fashion (2,2,4)
19 Cab charge imposed on one (4)
22 Show travelled round (5)
23 Fix the score to suit the players (7)
24 A tailor may make his mark with it (6,5)

DOWN
2 Just correct (5)
3 Boast about style of clothing (4)
4 Agreed with the head (6)
5 Capital fellow extremely single-minded (8)
6 Constructed as integral part of reformed Lib unit (7)
7 However it's viewed it amounts to the same thing (5,6)
8 It takes liquid refreshment and leaves (3,8)
13 A worker has fallen but pass on (4,4)
15 Ring fighter turns to drama (7)
17 New act with hat and stick (6)
20 Abolish article from a yearbook (5)
21 A way through on foot (4)

SATURDAY'S SOLUTIONS

Across: 1 Job lot, 4 Short cut, 9 Nudist, 10 Egg salad, 12 Yank, 13 Doyen, 14 Anil, 17 Right-hand man, 20 Stenographer, 23 Rate, 24 Ember, 25 Seem, 28 Apostles, 29 Studio, 30 Amethyst, 31 Meagre.

Down: 1 Junkyard, 2 Badinage, 3 Oast, 5 Higher degree, 6 Rest, 7 Colony, 8 Toddle, 11 Roman numbers, 15 State, 16 Marat, 18 Sheepdog, 19 Primrose, 21 Armada, 22 Stooge, 26 Etch, 27 Stye.

JUMBLE

UNSCRAMBLE THESE JUMBLES, ONE LETTER TO EACH SQUARE, TO FORM FOUR ORDINARY WORDS.

BY DAVID L. HOYT AND JEFF KNUREK

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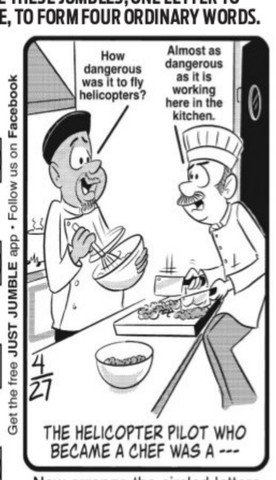
How dangerous was it to fly helicopters?
Almost as dangerous as it is working here in the kitchen.
4/27
THE HELICOPTER PILOT WHO BECAME A CHEF WAS A ---

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Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

Print the answer here: _____

(Answers tomorrow)

Saturday's Jumbles: FETCH PLAID STRAND TUNNEL
Answer: All the students at the school prom were in — "ATTEND-DANCE"

"May Hariprasad's visionary leadership infuse new energy, confidence and enthusiasm among the workers and make the organisation even stronger. I wish that Congress will move towards new achievements

Satish Jarkiholi, Public Works Minister

EXPRESS READ

Woman falls from 3rd floor while trimming branches, dies on spot

BENGALURU: A 58-year-old woman died after falling from the terrace of her house while attempting to cut tree branches that had extended over her property in Rajajinagar on June 18. The deceased was Pramila Bai (58). Her husb-and, Siddalinga Rao, stated that branches from a nearby tree had spread over their house, causing inconvenience. Despite approac-hing civic authorities several times to have the branches trimmed, no action was taken. Frustrated by the delay, Pramila went to the terrace of the three-storey building and tried to remove the branches herself using a mop handle. Rao said, while pushing the branches, she stepped onto the sheet roof that collapsed. She fell from the terrace and died on the spot due to severe head injuries and bleeding. The Rajajinagar police have registered a case of unnatural death. **ENS**

BTP collect ₹96L on first day of e-challan rebate scheme

BENGALURU: On the first day of the 50% concession on pending e-challan traffic fines, the Bengaluru Traffic Police (BTP) collected Rs 96 lakh. According to a press release, a total of 32,486 cases were settled, and a total amount of Rs 96,73,800 was collected. The rebate scheme will remain in effect until July 10. **ENS**

RTI saves widow's ₹3.76cr properties from auction

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21 YRS OF LANDMARK ACT

AS the Right to Information (RTI) Act marks 21 years, a case from Bengaluru highlights the law's continued role in correcting administrative errors and protecting citizens from wrongful official action.

An 83-year-old widow, Theresa Xavier, used the Act to challenge an order issued by a local tahsildar that sought to auction four flats belonging to her family to recover dues arising from a dispute involving a builder. The properties are estimated to be worth around Rs 3.76 crore, based on a guidance value of Rs 7,600 per sqft. Auction notices had been pasted on the doors of the flats for recovery of Rs 56.81 lakh, along with interest. The recovery proceedings stemmed from a RERA complaint filed by flat buyers against the builder for allegedly failing to obtain an occupancy certificate and complete promised amenities.

On June 10, Theresa Xavier, the land owner, filed an RTI application seeking details of the order, the basis for the proposed auction, the official guidance value and particulars of the properties identified for recovery. She alleged that her family's flats had been attached instead of those belonging to the builder. In a reply issued on June 19, authorities informed her that the original order dated May 20 had been amended. The revised order identified three flats belonging to the builder for auction, instead of the four flats owned by Xavier's family. Xavier said she had been engaged in a long-running dispute with the builder and alleged that she had been left with incomplete flats. She claimed that she had spent substantial amounts to complete most of the units, while one flat remains unfinished.

She said RTI helped her obtain documents and secure corrective action without approaching the high court, which would have involvedadditional costs and time. The case comes amid continuing debate over the implementation of the RTI Act nationwide. According to an analysis of the CentralInformation Commission's annual report for 2024-25 by Commonwealth Human Rights Initiative Director Venkatesh Nayak, RTI applications received by Union government authorities increased 2.52% during the year. Excluding Union Territories, the increase stood at 1.26%.

The volume of RTI applications has grown 34% since Covid outbreak during 2020-21. The Ministry of Corporate Affairs received the highest number of applications (2.54 lakh), overtaking the Ministry of Finance (2.20 lakh). The top five ministries accounted for more than 51% of all RTI applications.

The analysis flagged concerns over compliance and transparency. While the CIC reported 100% reporting by 2,303 public authorities, the RTI Online Portal lists 2,914 registered entities. The number of RTI applications disposed of declined by 3.46% to 13.81 lakh. The rejection rate remained around 3%, while first appeals increased, indicating dissatisfaction among applicants. Disposal rates of first appeals remained low in several institutions, including the Supreme Court, Election Commission of India and the Comptroller and Auditor General. Nearly 40% of first appeals remained pending.

Nayak urged CIC to move beyond statistical reporting and undertake performance audits, document best practices and recommend reforms to strengthen transparency and accountability more than two decades after RTI Act came into force.

Medical aspirants line up as they enter an exam centre to write the NEET retest in Bengaluru on Sunday | KEVIN NASHON

NEET retest paper draws mixed response

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BENGALURU-based aspirants who appeared for the NEET retest on Sunday (June 21) found the repeat paper to be more complex than the initial one, especially the physics and chemistry sections.

Most students that *TNIE* spoke to after the test seemed relieved that they survived the ordeal. "The paper was a tad more difficult this time around, albeit not too lengthy. I had ample time to finish it. There was not much overlap between the May 3 paper and this one. The chemistry section delved deep into organic concepts. I personally did not face any difficulty getting to the centre," said Harshita Deepak, a candidate from Banashankari.

For Yelahanka-based Hrithikesh N, for whom this NEET appearance was a second attempt (third, if one considers the May 3 examination), found it to be of moderate difficulty. "However, the physics and chemistry sections were the real test. They were more application-based (as opposed to being theory-based), compared to the May 3 paper," he said.

Hrithikesh said leading up to the day, he was flooded with eight to 10 fake papers claiming to be the leaked NEET paper meant for the re-test. "I did not believe in the leaks of course, but solved all of them just to prepare better for the actual examination," he said.

Diganthh Balraj from Nelamangala, anticipating a flood of leaks, chose to remain aloof. "I remained completely shut off from such claims. I deactivated all my social media accounts to avoid any distractions," he said.

CID inspector denies role in ₹20 lakh robbery case

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THE Criminal Investigation Department (CID) inspector arrested in connection with the alleged Rs 20 lakh robbery has been remanded to judicial custody. During questioning, he allegedly claimed that he did not know about the robbery.

Mahesh Kanakagiri, a police inspector attached to the Homicide and Burglary Division of the CID, was arrested along with two accomplices, Kupendra Reddy and Vasanth Kumar, both real estate agents. The trio was arrested on Friday for allegedly robbing three Kerala-based businessmen of Rs 20 lakh at a hotel in Bengaluru.

Sources said Kanakagiri was produced before a court on Saturday and remanded to 14 days of judicial custody at Bengaluru Central Prison. The inspector allegedly denied any involvement in the crime. He told investigators that he knew Kupendra Reddy and had accompanied him on Friday but was unaware of the robbery. "I came to know about the incident only after the police informed me," he reportedly told investigators. He claimed that his police identity card, which had been kept on the dashboard of the car, was taken by the accused and misused, sources said.

Meanwhile, the other two accused told police that the inspector was aware of the robbery and that they had acted on his instructions. Police have seized the inspector's mobile and are examining his call records and chats for evidence.

North div cops verify 97 rowdy-sheeters in special drive

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THE Rowdy Suppression Squads of the North Division of the Bengaluru City Police conducted a special operation on Saturday night by visiting the residences of 97 rowdy-sheeters across the jurisdictions of 13 police stations in the division.

The cops verified the current activities of the rowdy-sheeters and warned them against engaging in criminal activities. The surprise visits were aimed at monitoring their activities and ensuring compliance with legal requirements. Police collected information regarding the current occupations and activities of the rowdy-sheeters.

Officials also verified whether they were regularly attending court hearings and checked if any had been declared warrant absconders, proclaimed offenders, or long-pending register accused for failing to appear before the courts. The operation was conducted under the leadership of Deputy Commissioner of Police (North) BS Nemagouda and under the supervision of Assistant Commissioners of Police of the three subdivisions.

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Whereas, the authorized officer of **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited** under the Securitization And Reconstruction of Financial Assets And Enforcement Of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13 (2) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 issued **demand notices** to the borrower(s)/ Co-borrowers(s) calling upon the borrowers to repay the amount mentioned against the respective names together with interest thereon at the applicable rates as mentioned in the said notices within **60 days** from the date of receipt of the said notices, along with future interest as applicable incidental expenses, costs, charges etc. incurred till the date of payment and/or realisation.

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	Description of the Property: All that piece and parcel for the Property Khaneshumari No.40/40, measuring East to West 9.1439 meters and North to South 12.1919 meters, situated at Bannimukodlu Village, Bannimukodlu Grama Panchayath, Kodihalli Hobali, Kanakapura Taluk, Ramanagara District and **Bounded on: East by:** House belongs to Shivamadaiah, **West by:** House belongs to Puttachannamma, **North by:** Government Property, **South by:** Road.			
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3	47040430000090 & 47049630001381	1) Mrs. Savithramma, 2) Mr. Gavisiddegowda/ Mr. Chikkaidegowda	09.04.2026 Rs.9,04,405.47 (Rupees Nine Lakh Four Thousand Four Hundred Five and Forty Seven Paisa Only) due as on 07-04-2026	Date: 19-06-2026 Time: 05:40 PM Symbolic Possession
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Any person/Firm/Company/Individual having any objection for the above mentioned conversion may submit their objection/s with the Regional Director, South Western Region, Bangalore, at 'E' Wing, 2nd Floor, Kendriya Sadana, Kormangala, Bangalore-560034, Karnataka, within a period of 30 days from the publication of this notice and a copy of the same shall be forwarded to the company at it's Registered Office at 1/01, New 03, Police Station RD Basavanagudi, Bangalore, Karnataka, India, 560004.

Director
Malini Shankar
DIN: 07926788

BEFORE THE DEBT RECOVERY TRIBUNAL -II AT BANGALORE
BSNL Building, 4th Floor, Telephone House , Rajbhavan Road, Bangalore -560 001

O.A. 1727/2023

CANARA BANK ...Applicant
Versus
Citrance Foods And Hospitality LLP and Others ...Defendants

NOTICE TO DEFENDANTS UNDER RULE 23(VIII) OF RECOVERY OF DEBTS AND BANKRUPTCY ACT 1993, BY WAY OF PAPER PUBLICATION

1. Citrance Foods and Hospitality LLP, Represented by its Designated Partners, Registered Office : No. 8, 11th Main, 3rd Block, Jayanagar, Bengaluru - 560 011.
2. Smt. Roopa Amit Shekhar, Aged about 46 yeras, W/o. Sri Amith Shekar, R/ at: No. 34, 1st Cross, CSI Compound Mission Road, Bengaluru - 560 027.
3. Smt. Sheela Shekar Devi , Aged about 72 years, W/o. Sri Ravikumar Gunashekar, R/at: No. 34, 1st Cross, CSI Compound Mission Road, Bengaluru - 560 027.

NOTICE ON IA TO DEFENDANTS

Whereas, IA No. 2037/2024 IN OA No. 1727/2023 was filed by the applicant.

This is to inform you that the Hon'ble DRT II at Bangalore has issued notice to you on the said IA for declaration of other assets and you are hereby directed to appear on **23.07.2026** before DRT II, Bangalore.

The above mentioned defendants are therefore, hereby directed to appear before the Tribunal in person or through an advocate or through authorised agents in support of their defense on **23.07.2026 at 10.30 am** as to why reliefs prayed for should not be granted.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Tribunal on this 20 day of June 2026.

By Order of the Tribunal
Sd/- Registrar
Debts Recovery Tribunal -II, Bangalore

DEMAND NOTICE

Whereas the Authorised Officer of Asset Reconstruction Company (India) Limited (acting in capacity as Trustee for the below mentioned Trusts) (hereinafter referred to as **"ARCIL"**) is incorporated under the companies Act, 1956 and registered as an Asset Reconstruction Company with the Reserve Bank of India of Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial assets and Enforcement of security interest Act, 2002 (hereinafter referred to as "the SARFAESI Act") and whereas the Borrower / Co-Borrowers as mentioned in Column No. 2 of the below mentioned chart obtained loan from the Original Lenders and whereas **ARCIL** has acquired the financial assets relating to the loan accounts mentioned herein below and whereas **ARCIL** being the secured creditor under the SARFAESI Act, and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(2) of the said Act read with Rule 2 of the security interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued demand notice calling upon the Borrowers / Co-Borrowers as mentioned herein below, to repay the amount mentioned in the notices with further interest thereon within 60 days from the date of notice, but the notices could not be served upon some of them for various reasons.

LAN No. / Name of Original Lender / Demand Notice Date / Name of the Trust	Borrower / Co-Borrower Name	Total Outstanding in INR as per Demand Notice Date
LAN: 3604374500010421 **Original Lender:** Manappuram Finance Ltd. **Date of Demand Notice:** 06-01-2026 **Name of the Trust:** Arcil-Trust-2026-002	Ajmal Ahmed	**Rs. 8,32,096/-**
Description of the Property: Property having an extent of 720 Sq. ft. (measuring EW - 30 Feet and NS - 24 Feet) of Land with house therein Having House Property Old Katha No.126, House List No. 174, New Katha No. 524, Village - Krishnarajapura, K.R. Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Presently comes under BBMP, Bangalore, Karnataka with right of way and all appurtenances thereto.		
LAN: 3604234500010015 **Original Lender:** Manappuram Finance Ltd. **Date of Demand Notice:** 06-01-2026 **Name of the Trust:** Arcil-Trust-2026-002	Aravind S	**Rs. 14,33,781.57/-**
Description of the Property: Property having an extent of 705 Sq. ft. (measuring EW - 47 Sq. Feet and NS - 15 Sq. Feet) of Vacant Land situated Site No. 29, Old Assessment No. 71, New Assessment No. 71/3, Old Katha No. 138, New Katha No. 117, Village - Srigandakalav, Yashvanthpura Hobli, Bangalore North - 560091 with right of way & all appurtenances thereto.		
LAN: 3604374500010238 **Original Lender:** Manappuram Finance Ltd. **Date of Demand Notice:** 06-01-2026 **Name of the Trust:** Arcil-Trust-2026-002	Harisha S	**Rs. 7,11,934.33/-**
Description of the Property: Property having an extent of Land 111.48 Sq. Meter's (measuring EW - 9.144 Meter and NS - 12.192 Meter), the property an extent of Land in feet 1200 Sq. Feet's (measuring EW - 30 Feet and NS - 40 Feet), Sy. No. 105/2A, Converted property Conversion Order No. ALNSR:51/1993-94 dated 02-11-1993 situated at Binnipuppe Village, Bidadi Hobli, Ramanagara Taluk, Ramanagar District, Karnataka - 562123.		
LAN: 3604374500010576 **Original Lender:** Manappuram Finance Ltd. **Date of Demand Notice:** 06-01-2026 **Name of the Trust:** Arcil-Trust-2026-002	Jamuna S	**Rs. 5,69,606.5/-**
Description of the Property: Property having an extent 1000 Sq. feet of land (measuring EW - 25 feet and NS - 40 feet) situated at Kudlu Village, Sarjapura Hobali, Bommanahalli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District, Bangalore District, Bangalore, Karnataka - 560068.		
LAN: 3604374500010450 **Original Lender:** Manappuram Finance Ltd. **Date of Demand Notice:** 12-01-2026 **Name of the Trust:** Arcil-Trust-2026-002	Nanjappa	**Rs. 5,41,728.82/-**
Description of the Property: All That Piece And Parcel Of The Immovable Property Site Bearing E-swathu No. 152900300300600208, Property No. 744/199. The Property an Extent of Land 75.25 Sq. Meter or 810 Sq. Feet's (measuring East West 10.97 Meter and North South 6.85 Meter) situated at Gavinagamangala Village, Ajjanahalli GramPanchayath, Magadi Taluk, Ramanagara, Karnataka - 562201.		
LAN: 3630084500010387 **Original Lender:** Manappuram Finance Ltd. **Date of Demand Notice:** 24-01-2026 **Name of the Trust:** Arcil-Trust-2026-002	Nethravathi N-Tilak M-Gangamma	**Rs. 6,06,451.52/-**
Description of the Property: Property having an extent measuring of land therein bearing Khata No. 88/76, PID No. 152900300200600079. Measuring East-West: 7.9248 mtrs. and North-South: 8.5344 mtrs., total measuring 67.63 sq. meters. House situated at Dandigepura, Agalakote Post, Magadi Taluk, Ramanagara District, Karnataka - 562120.		

Notice, is therefore given to the Borrowers / Co-Borrowers, as mentioned herein above, calling upon them to make payment of the total outstanding amount as shown herein above, against the respective Borrower / Co-Borrower, within 60 days of publication of this notice. Failure to make payment of the total outstanding amount together with further interest by the respective Borrower / Co-Borrower, ARCIL shall be constrained to take u/s 13(4) for enforcement of security interest upon properties as described above, steps are also being taken for service of notice in other manners as prescribed under the Act and the rules made hereunder. You are put to notice that the said mortgage can be redeemed upon payment of the entire amount due together with costs, charges and expenses incurred by Arcil at any time before the date of publication of notice for public auction or private treaty for transfer by way of sale, as detailed in Section 13(8) of the SARFAESI Act.

Take note that in terms of S-13 (13) of the SARFAESI Act, you are hereby restrained from transferring and/or dealing with the Secured Properties in any manner by way of sale, lease or in any other manner.

SD/-
Authorised Officer,
Asset Reconstruction Company (India) Ltd. (In capacity as Trustee)

Place: Bangalore
Date: 22.06.2026

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PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to notify the general public that my client, Mr. Srinivasamurthy K.V., S/o late Venkatappa A.G., residing at #61, Karlapura, Hesaraghatta Hobli, Byatha, Bengaluru, Karnataka - 560089 (Mob: 97410 61455), intends to purchase the agricultural property referred to in the Schedule below from its present owner, Mrs. Vijayalakshmi Sujay. The present owner acquired the said property via a Sale Deed dated 10-03-2025, which was duly registered as Document No. YAN-1-14672-2024-25 in Book-1, stored at the office of the Senior Sub-Registrar, Yelahanka, Bengaluru.

If any person/s claiming any right, title, or interest of any nature, or any lien, charge, or enforceable right in relation to the said Schedule property, and/or having any objections of any nature to the transaction, should lodge such claims and/or objections in writing to the undersigned address together with supporting documents within 10 (Ten) days hereof, failing which it will be presumed that no valid claims or objections subsist and our client would proceed to complete the sale transaction with the aforesaid owner, subject to compliance with other statutory and legal formalities.

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(CIN: U40109KA1999SGC025521)

TENDER NOTIFICATION (Through KPPP mode only)

KPTCL invites bids againts for the following enquiry numbers.

(1) SEE/Tr(Op)/Circle-South/EE(O)/AEE-1/F-321(02)/26-27/1380-81 Date: 19.06.2026

KPTCL/SEE/TR(Op)/EE(O)/AEE-1/24-25/EPR-86, Call-4, Dated 14.02.2025 for the work of repairing cracks developed at LILO tower point of 66kV, 1000 Sq mm UG Cable at 66/11kV sub-station, Kaggalipura (Brigade meadows) in Operation Division Somanahalli pertaining to EHV Cable Sub Division under the jurisdiction of Transmission (Operations), South Circle, KPTCL, Bengaluru on percentage basis.

(2) SEE/Tr(Op)/Circle-South//EE(O)/JE-1/F-393(10)/26-27/1375-79 Date: 19.06.2026

KPTCL/SEE/TR(Op)/Cir-South/EE(O)/AEE-2/JE-1/26-27/EPR-07 Dated: 18.06.2026 for Design, Manufacture, Testing and Supply of Copper Control cable of sizes 19Cx2.5 sq.mm, required at various sub-stations in Tr (Op)Circle-South, KPTCL Bengaluru conforming to Technical Specifications. F.O.R.D at Store/Site basis, including insurance, transportation and unloading.

The Bids will be received through E-Procurement mode only. The detailed notification regarding the subject tenders can be got by logging on to **https://kptcl.karnataka.gov.in** with hyperlink **'E Procurement KPTCL'** or to **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** on or after **22.06.2026**. Any details required in this regard can also be had from the Office of the undersigned during Office hours.

Sd/- Superintending Engineer Ele, Tr(Op), Circle-South, KPTCL, Office Complex, Ground Floor, A.R. Circle, Bangalore.

'24X7 HELPLINE SOON TO ADDRESS GRIEVANCES OF PEOPLE VISITING HOSPITALS'

PIC: NAGARAJA GADEKAL

EXPRESS Dialogues

TEAM TNIE

IN an interaction with TNIE, minister UT Khader, who is handling the health portfolio for the second time, speaks on various issues related to the healthcare sector. From starting a helpline functioning out of his office to recruitment of medical staff, he has set priorities. He also speaks on the change of guard in the state. Excerpts...

As soon as the cabinet was formed, you've hit the ground running. Were you fully prepared?
Yes, because the post is not important, our work is. This is the opportunity to show our department that they should be alert. We understand the actual picture of the department when we witness, in person, how hospitals are functioning. It is necessary to see problems stemming from all sides. For example, at night, it is important to find out in hospitals if the receptionist, the doctors, the nurses and the minimum staff are present or if the patients are made to wait for long. It is important to see if cleanliness is maintained after evening hours, whether the doctors and nurses are carrying out their duties fearlessly or if there are any disruptions, and if the surrounding organisations and associations are being cooperative. This is an appropriate time to gain a detailed understanding of these things.

What are the major changes you wish to carry out in six months?
First, we have to work towards attracting doctors, specifically newcomers who are still young. This can be done by ensuring that they are issued appointment letters quickly, and it is the District Health Officer's responsibility to carry this out within a week once the application is received. Job security is also important, so we should make the positions permanent after five years of good work from doctors. Second, we should also ensure that they get to do their post-graduation. If their ambition to pursue post-graduate studies are not encouraged, it will further dissuade them from joining. Third, we need to pay greater attention to hospitals in border areas. The rule now is that doctors in city areas get an extra Rs 8,000 in their salaries whereas those in villages get Rs 8,000 less, because rent is higher in cities. By increasing the salaries of those in border areas by Rs 15,000, we can attract more doctors. Another recommendation, apart from these three, is to allow doctors, who retire after 60, to work till 70-75 as contract doctors, if they are deemed mentally and physically fit by the medical board. Another thing that is important is the manpower of lab technicians and pharmacists who should be selected, if not permanently, on contract basis. When the National Health Mission (NHM) has given the provision to select manpower on contract basis, the department should wisely think about who to appoint, since NHM guidelines state that more than 50% of the amount cannot go to salaries.

Will better salaries be paid to government doctors to attract better talent?
Yes, we are planning. We will have a meeting with the chief minister and finance department. In the Health Department there are about 36 programmes which are inclusive of both central and state government grants.

What about infrastructure, be it buildings or equipment?
We will fulfill whatever the requirement is for buildings and equipment. Secondly, we have to streamline the tenders for pharmacies and take it forward. I am planning to call all builders to a meeting to ask them what their grievances are so that we can rectify them. My plan is to do this year's and next year's tenders now.

What about ambulances?
We have to restructure them completely. They need to be clean and movable. When I was out of the ministry, they changed the software. Earlier, software and operations were maintained by GVK. Now the software is ours and GVK takes care of the operations. The cleaning of ambulances was assigned to Karnataka State Road Transport Corporation (KSRTC) hubs. It is tough for them to clean their own buses, so what is the use of giving them ambulances as well? We are thinking of what to do with that. Buying an ambulance is easy, but maintaining it is hard. So we need to develop a system, district-wise, and schedule weekly maintenance.

Have you heard of reports from nurses, regarding their status?
I have heard from all nurses, private and government. Nurses are important for a healthy society, and they are the foundation of healthcare. They are currently unorganised, and we want to bring a law which helps them organise, like doctors. We want to fix a minimum pay scale for all nurses. Right now, it is up to hospitals. We will be the first state to implement this security for nurses.

Is there any plan about mental health?
We are going to have a mental health advisory committee. Earlier when I was health minister, Dr KA Ashok Pai from Manasa would suggest many things. He used to tour on his own money. On his advice, the government started 'Super Tuesday' where every PHC (Primary Health Centre) and taluk hospitals counselled psychiatric patients. Whatever medicine was needed, it should be available that day. Then it turned into Manasvini. In Bengaluru, an NGO is looking after the homeless with mental health conditions and the government is paying it Rs 30 lakh. We want good NGOs to take care of such people in every district.

Is tele-counselling being considered in rural areas?
We have Sanjeevini for tele-counselling. We will get a new app not only for counselling, but also for other benefits where the concerned can call directly. If the app is downloaded, they can interact directly with the doctors free of cost. The government pays the doctor Rs 25 for each case.

Will there be more facilities for those who come for health tourism?
Karnataka is not only the health hub of the country, but even at the global level we are the health facilitators at a low cost. We should have visa on arrival. Both the Centre and state must work together and build a policy and make it easy and fast for patients coming for treatment. Those who visit, do not come only for treatment, but also for tourism. They will be accompanied by their family. It benefits both the Centre and state economically.

Is the Ayushman Bharat scheme implemented effectively?
It is implemented. It is not an insurance scheme, it is an assurance scheme. A budget allocation is made for it, and money is given to hospitals that treat the patients under the scheme. Most hospitals have accepted the scheme. Once hospital treats patients, hospitals send the bill within a fortnight and the amount is given to hospitals within a month. If the amount is not paid on time to hospitals, we give them interest. If the money is given to hospitals within the stipulated time, hospitals will treat the patients under this scheme.

Patients visiting hospitals will have a lot of doubts and complaints, but staff at hospitals are not willing to talk on most occasions. How is the government planning to address the issue?
The Health Department plans to launch a 24x7 helpline operating from the minister's office to address complaints. The number will be displayed at all hospitals. Patients facing issues such as delayed enrolment by Arogya Mitras or demands for out-of-pocket payments can contact the helpline. Beneficiaries should not be charged any amount under the scheme and Arogya Mitras are responsible for resolving disputes with hospitals. The department also plans to display advertisements in hospitals informing patients that no additional payments are required and we will introduce the system in the coming weeks.

Are you planning to introduce midwives in Karnataka's public health system?
I had introduced midwives during my earlier tenure, but need to review the current status of the programme. Several innovative healthcare initiatives launched in the past, including bike ambulances, Danta Bhagya and cochlear implant programmes, lost momentum after leadership changes. Additionally, schemes that need to reach the public are not successful despite being reported as successful.

Should not the government put a cap on the cost of heart surgeries?
The Ayushman scheme has a cap on charges and hospitals should not exceed them. There are other schemes such as the Sanjeevini-Puneeth Rajkumar scheme, under which ECGs, injections, angiograms and angioplasty procedures are provided free of cost in many cases. The government is examining ways to expand free angiogram facilities and improve healthcare delivery. Some existing schemes may be consolidated to create a few stronger and more effective programmes.

What is the government doing to improve organ transplant services?
The government plans to digitise the organ transplant system, replacing manual records with a centralised database of donors, recipients and hospital-wise cases to enable faster matching, transparency and communication.

What is your take on the merger plan of PHCs and CHCs?
It should not be a mere administrative matter. We will see whether a merger is necessary and practical. A doctor from a CHC can be shifted to a taluk hospital on deputation. But the post cannot be shifted. This creates a vacuum for future doctors. Ultimately, there is a need to see what benefit people get.

What are the plans to upgrade Kidwai hospital?
Usually when services offered at hospitals are good, the load increases. No matter how much we develop, the rush will continue. Development is a continuous process.

How are you going to improve facilities in North Karnataka?
The problem, especially of man-power, is everywhere. Earlier, people were reluctant to go there. But now things have changed. Infrastructure and education is also good. Earlier, there were only two or three government medical colleges. The Siddaramaiah government announced that every district should have a medical college.

What about fake doctors in North Karnataka?
In villages, people will not verify a doctor's background. We are taking strict measures whenever we get complaints. Despite the presence of medical colleges, North Karnataka, as compared to Bengaluru, Mysuru and Mangaluru, has the issue of fake doctors. The situation now is better as many hospitals have come up in North Karnataka.

What is the state of mortuaries in the state? Is there enough manpower? Are they overworked?
Mortuaries cannot run without manpower. In Mangaluru, I noticed that if anyone dies and their body is kept in a mortuary, the family does not have a place to sit outside. They used to sit under a tree and cry as there is no bench for them to sit. The place is filled with mosquitoes. Doctors don't come all the time. The police used to sit outside and write in the shade of a tree. To facilitate relatives and the police, 22 mortuary rooms with facilities were added. We are going to review the facilities at all mortuaries and take action accordingly.

There are concerns about the quality of food served at hotels. How are the food safety officials addressing it?
They have to take strict action. Evidence should be given. I have told the food commission to take strict action. A meeting with either a regional or a national food safety department will be held, and we will adopt the best practices they use in different places. We have to streamline and come out with a model for officers. The Food Safety Act is very powerful, but the problem is with our officers. They have limited themselves to only giving licences. People should also be mindful while eating outside.

Any plans for alternative medicine?
We have to promote alternative medicinal practices like Ayurveda, yoga and others. India is the best in the world. It is not only the government's responsibility to promote it, but also of those who study it. The problem is that 90% of those who study Ayurveda give English medicine. How will Ayurveda improve in such a situation? Doctors should be more active. We have to give importance to Ayush Mela now. The first choice for people should be Ayurveda.

How are you going to address online pharmacy issues?
There is more disadvantage than advantage. Only a small section of people who cannot go out to get medicine will be benefited. But the issue on the other side is bigger. They supply medicines without prescriptions. When we can go to shops and markets to buy groceries and vegetables, why cannot one go to medical shops? Online pharmacy is a sensitive issue. I will meet drug and pharmaceutical company members and resolve the issue.

How do you address the Jan Aushadi Kendra issue?
We need to streamline Jan Aushadi Kendras. Here, stock of prescribed medicines should be available. Generic medicines are available at these kendras. Who will supply generic medicines at low cost? It is obviously the lowest bidder. This may compromise the quality. Also, continuous supply of medicine should be taken care of.

When it comes to public health, Kerala and Tamil Nadu are ahead...
Karnataka healthcare is also good. Index in Kerala may be better because of the population.

When can we expect Cabinet expansion?
The high command and party leaders will decide on that.

Will the change in guard improve the prospects of Congress returning to power in 2028?
It is a political transition. This is not a 'change of government' but a transfer of leadership within the same Congress government. The work done under Siddaramaiah will continue under DK Shivakumar. Existing programmes will continue and new programmes will be introduced. We believe people will appreciate the government's work and support Congress again in the next election.

Siddaramaiah will not be the CM face in the next polls, will AHINDA remain relevant?
Congress, with Shivakumar's leadership and Siddaramaiah's guidance, will continue to work for all sections of society in accordance with the Constitution. Any government that governs according to the Constitution will earn the people's support.

Coastal Karnataka continues to be a stronghold of BJP..
In coastal Karnataka, Congress has had mixed electoral results. At one point, we had seven seats and BJP had one. At another point the reverse happened. Now we have two seats, while BJP has six. We need stronger organisation at the booth level to communicate both the achievements of the state government and the shortcomings of previous BJP administrations.

Despite the high literacy rate in the region, why coastal Karnataka witnesses frequent incidents of communalism?
Education alone does not solve every social problem. Highly educated societies can also face corruption, crime and extremism. Education by itself is not the sole answer.

How was your experience as a Speaker?
It was excellent. Every MLA should ideally serve as Speaker once in their lifetime as it provides a deep understanding of parliamentary procedures, opportunities to build knowledge and reputation, and connections at national and international levels. The role is largely non-partisan and allows meaningful interaction with Speakers from across the country. It was a valuable three-year experience.

Modi destroying India, Trump the world: Kharge

DEVARAJ B HIREHALLI
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AICC president Mallikarjun Kharge on Sunday trained his guns at Prime Minister Narendra Modi, blaming him on various issues, from rising inflation to "failure" of foreign policy.

Át a rally at which MLC B K Hariprasad took charge as KPCC president, he said the combo of Modi and US President Donald Trump has been destructive for India and the world. "Modi is destroying India and Trump the world," he said, slamming Modi for shifting from the neutral stance of the country's foreign policy. "He brought a bad name to the country by dismantling the neutral foreign policy when Nehru was PM. He is strangulating the people of the country," he alleged.

"What Modi gave was unemployment, misinformation and false promises. One day or the other, the Modi government will collapse, you wait and watch as he has put countrymen into distress. He has not done any work properly to fulfil the aspirations of labourers, women and students whom he had promised to help," he said.

He blamed Modi for saffronisation of the education sector by changing the NCERT syllabus and appointing teachers and vice-chancellors with RSS background. He gave a call to party workers to keep in mind Modi's failures and convey the message to the people that only the Congress government can help them. "Go to farmers, wipe out their tears," he suggested.

'No scope for cult worship'

Kharge warned party workers, particularly supporters of Chief Minister D K Shivakumar, of disciplinary action for chanting "DK DK..." during speeches. "There will be no scope for cult worship. Keep quite useless fellows, it's a Congress event. Do you think the rest of them (party workers) have come here to sweep the floor," he said. He warned that he will take disciplinary action after he gets the footage. "I have seen in my over 50 years of career that the party has given power to those whose contribution was not much," he added.

Chief Minister D K Shivakumar, AICC president Mallikarjun Kharge and AICC general secretary in charge of Karnataka Randeep Singh Surjewala at a rally at which BK Hariprasad took charge as KPCC president in Bengaluru on Sunday | NAGARAJA GADEKAL

Siddu gave up CM's post as per agreement, says DKS

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CHIEF Minister DK Shivakumar on Sunday said Siddaramaiah gave up the chief minister's post for him as per the "50-50 agreement" struck at the high command level.

"There was an agreement in the presence of AICC president Mallikarjun Kharge and it was not discussed at all. Siddaramaiah gave up power as per the agreement," he said at the 'sankalpa' rally at which BK Hariprasad took charge as KPCC president.

Shivakumar announced that five-member guarantee committees will be formed at every panchayat and wards in the days to come to verify the documents of beneficiaries.

Shivakumar said in the coming days, a decision will be taken in the Cabinet to hold student elections in colleges. "Student elections will be held from this very year," he said.

BJP to take MLAs to D'sthala

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TO address embarrassment within the party, BJP state president BY Vijayendra has proposed that party MLAs gather at Dharmasthala so that the truth about cross-voting during the recent Legislative Council elections can emerge.

BJP, which expected a clean sweep or strong performance in the polls, was left red-faced after three of its MLAs allegedly cross-voted in favour of candidates from other parties. The party state unit is now conducting a high-level internal inquiry.

Senior party leaders Arvind Bellad and TS Srivatsa described Vijayendra's decision as a good one, while Union Minister Pralhad Joshi said, "I understand Vijayendra's pain."

Union Minister HD Kumaraswamy, asked whether his party JDS would take its MLAs to Dharmasthala, said, "No, our leadership does not think it is necessary."

SIR taking away people's voting rights: Hariprasad

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HARIPRASAD alleged that the Election Commission is taking away people's right to vote by conducting the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of voter rolls. "A big disaster is happening because of SIR. The country's electoral system is being destroyed. Local parties are being submerged. Congress never did this. BJP is dividing people by bringing many ideas under the banner of One Nation One Religion," he fumed.

"RSS and BJP are cowards. They will continue to insult Nehru throughout their lives, but will not be able to come close to him. Nehru had a vision of nation building. He built and developed many institutions. But Modi has knelt before Trump," he alleged.

"They have taken over constitutional institutions. BJP is the political wing of RSS. RSS was against everything, including the country's Constitution, freedom struggle and flag. Now they are working to finish off the Constitution," he said.

"Godse was the first terrorist of this country. He was a big murderer, but BJP will not say that publicly. Ambedkar said do not come into politics to make a living, come into politics to change the lives of the poor Dalits. Mahatma Gandhi said remember the poor every day and work for them," he elaborated. But PM Narendra Modi only remembers Adani and Ambani, Hariprasad said sarcastically.

"I was in jail with Sanjay Gandhi. I have worked with six people from the Gandhi family. Only leaders of Congress have sacrificed their lives for the country. Indira Gandhi and Rajiv Gandhi are prime examples. Sonia Gandhi sacrificed power," he said.

POSTS OF THE DAY

Edappadi K Palaniswami @EPSTamilNadu

While many affected by the gas leak are currently receiving treatment in hospitals, I urge TN government to ensure that appropriate medical care is provided...

MONSOON TO REVIVE, INCREASE RAINFALL ACROSS KARNATAKA

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Bengaluru

BENGALURU is expected to receive light to moderate rainfall over the next five days, while rainfall activity across Karnataka is likely to intensify later this week as the southwest monsoon revives, as per the India Meteorological Department (IMD). IMD scientist CS Patil said the monsoon is currently in a weak phase but is expected to become active within the next three days, leading to increased rainfall in several parts of the state.

He explained that an upper-air cyclonic circulation is currently influencing weather patterns over the region.

The circulation, characterised by rotating winds in the upper atmosphere, helps lift moisture and create conditions conducive to rain. "The circulation is likely to intensify in the coming days, and rainfall across the state is expected to increase," he said.

While Bengaluru is likely to continue receiving light to moderate showers, the coastal Karnataka and Malnad regions are expected to witness more widespread rainfall once the monsoon strengthens.

IMD is also monitoring the possibility of heavy rainfall in parts of the state later this week as weather conditions become more favourable. This will likely bring relief from the above-normal temperatures recorded in several districts.

Patil said parts of north-interior Karnataka have witnessed temperatures touching 38-39 degrees Celsius in recent days. As rainfall activity increases and cloud cover becomes more widespread, temperatures are expected to decline across many regions of the state.

Patil attributed the current weakening of the monsoon to a low-pressure gradient, which has resulted in weaker winds. He added that the pressure gradient is expected to strengthen over the next few days, aiding monsoon revival and helping it become active once again across Karnataka.

TAMIL NADU TWISTER

In a rare natural phenomenon, a tornado takes form amid dark clouds in Thoothukudi, Tamil Nadu on Sunday | EXPRESS

Parties urge TN to remove proposal to set up separate Cauvery tribunal

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Chennai

THE call to drop the proposal for the constitution of a new Cauvery tribunal to adjudicate the Mekedatu dispute gained momentum, with the PMK on Sunday strongly urging the TVK government to remove it from the resolution, adopted by the TN Assembly on June 19, before sending it to the Union .

PMK president Anbumani Ramadoss said seeking a separate tribunal to address the dispute would create unnecessary complications and benefit Karnataka. The Assembly should delete that provision from the resolution before forwarding it to the centre, he said in a statement. CPM state secretary P Shanmugam said when the Cauvery water dispute had come to a final decision through court judgments, the previous DMK regime unilaterally wrote to the union government on March 4, seeking a separate tribunal. He said CM C Joseph Vijay had accepted the suggestion of Leader of the Opposition Udhayanidhi Stalin without knowing its impact. Further, the manner in which the amendment seeking a separate tribunal was done was not correct.

"The CM should move a resolution stating that the amendment proposed by the Leader of the Opposition has not been accepted," Shanmugam said at a public meeting in Thirupathur on Saturday. On the issue, VCK general secretary D Ravikumar, in a post on X, said an all-party meeting should be convened to discuss the Mekedatu issue to come to a unanimous agreement.

Earlier, hours after the resolution was adopted with an amendment proposed by Udhayanidhi regarding the formation of a separate tribunal to adjudicate the Mekedatu dispute, AIADMK general secretary Edappadi K Palaniswami had objected to it.

Kerala former CM's daughter to face 2nd round of ED grilling

KOCHI: The Enforcement Directorate (ED) has summoned T Veena, daughter of former chief minister Pinarayi Vijayan, for a second round of questioning in connection with the Cochin Minerals and Rutile Ltd (CMRL)-Exalogic transaction case. Veena was directed to appear before the agency's Kochi office on June 29. She was earlier questioned by ED officials for nearly eight hours on June 17 at the agency's regional office in Kochi. **ENS**

Missing Bengaluru youth's body found on Kerala beach

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Kannur

The body of a 20-year-old youth who went missing after being swept away by strong waves at Payyambalam beach was recovered on Sunday morning. The deceased, Santhosh Kumar, was from Nelamangala in Bangalore.

The body was recovered during a joint search operation involving the Azhikkal Coastal Police, Marine Enforcement Force Kannur, DTPC lifeguards and local fishermen. A Coast Guard aircraft brought from Kochi was also deployed for the search on Saturday evening. Though the search efforts continued until nightfall Santhosh could not be traced that day.

The body was taken to Karnataka in an ambulance arranged by the district administration and the District Tourism Promotion Council (DTPC). Santhosh was swept away by the waves on the afternoon of June 20 while swimming with his friends at the beach.

EXPRESS READ

'Shigella' confirmed in Kerala woman's death

KOZHIKODE: Health authorities have confirmed through laboratory testing that the death of a 54-year-old woman from Kozhikode district was caused by a Shigella infection, pushing Kerala's Shigella-related death toll to six this month as the state continues to witness a surge in cases. The deceased, Sunitha, a resident of Parammal in Mavoor, was undergoing treatment after developing severe symptoms, including high fever and acute diarrhoea. The confirmation comes amid growing concerns over the spread of the infection across several districts in Kerala. **ENS**

Ex- MLA Akhanda Srinivasmurthy joins back JDS

BENGALURU: Former MLA Akhanda Srinivasmurthy rejoined Janata Dal (Secular) on Sunday, after a brief stint with Congress.Srinivasmurthy, who had represented Pulakeshinagar constituency as a JDS MLA, had switched to Congress. He was MLA between 2013 to 2023, serving one term from JDS and the other from Congress. He rejoined JDS as he was denied a ticket by Congress in 2023. This development comes amid ongoing political realignments in Karnataka ahead of future electoral battles. **ENS**

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Rajajinagar Industrial Estate, Bengaluru-560010. Ph: 080-23157189, Fax: 080-23301683, e-Mail:gttc.projects@karnataka.gov.in
Website:https://gttc.karnataka.gov.in

No: GTTC/PROJ/CIVIL-ELE/WORKS/BD-163/2026-27 Date: 19.06.2026

e-TENDER NOTIFICATION

Tenders for the following works have been invited through e-procurement by Government Tool Room and Training Centre.

Sl. No.	Bid No.	Centre Name	Name of Work
1	163	Sindhanur	Establishment of New GTTC Centre at Sindhanur, Raichur District.

Tender documents will be available on the e-portal **from 23.06.2026** and Pre-bid meeting is scheduled **on 13.07.2026 at 11.30 AM.** The last date for submission of tender in the e-portal **is 23.07.2026 before 5:30 PM.** For more details, please visit the e-procurement portal **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** or contact the helpline number: +91 9240214000, +91 9240214001.

Sd /- Executive Engineer

Bank of Baroda

MSME Branch
409/410, G N R Layout, Kittaganahalli Gate, Bommasandra Indl.Area, Bangalore-560158.

NOTICE TO BORROWER

(UNDER SUB-SECTION (2) OF SECTION 13 OF THE SARFAESI ACT, 2002)

'At your request, Bank has extended credit facilities to the below mentioned individuals against secured assets through its **Bank of Baroda, MSME Branch.** The relevant particulars of the property on which you have created security interest by execution of security agreement/ documents & creation of mortgage by way deposit of title deeds are furnished hereunder. As the operation and conduct of the financial assistance/ credit facilities have become irregular, the debts have been classified as Non Performing Assets in accordance with the directives/guidelines issued by Reserve Bank of India consequent to the default committed by the borrowers in repayment of the principal debt and interest thereon. As the demand notice sent by register AD calling upon you, was un-served/not acknowledged, this publication is now issued.

1.Name and Address of the Borrower/Co-Borrower/Mortgagor/Guarantor: M/S Magnitude Global Industries Private Limited (Formerly Known As Plank And Weave India Private Limited), Anekal, Survey No.51/1, Kallubalu Post Office, Ms Reunion Clothing Jigani Industrial Area, Bangalore-560105 (Unit Address), **(2) Mr Shah Samir Mahendra,** A1602, Balmoral Estate Baner Road, Baner Pune City Pune-411045 **(Director), Guarantor : (3) Mrs. Roheena Harikrishan Nagpal,** A1602 The Balmoral Estate Baner Road, Balewadi Pune City- 411045 **(Director).**

Sl No	Nature And Type of Facility	Limit (Rs.) In lakhs	ROI (%)	O/s Bal as on 14.06.2026 (inclusive of interest upto 14.06.2026)
01	Cash Credit - 74310500000342	Rs.1,00,00,000/-	13.15	Rs. 1,03,72,145.92
02	Term Loan - 74310600001768	Rs. 1,40,00,000/-	13.15	Rs. 97,17,685.21
	Total	Rs. 2,40,00,000/-		Rs. 2,00,89,831.13

Security agreement with brief description of securities:
Cash Credit: (1) Primary: Hypothecation of Stocks and book debts, **(2) Collateral:** CGTMSE coverage of working capital of Rs.100.00 lacs
Term Loan: (1) Primary: Hypothecation of Plant & Machinery (purchase out of Bank term finance)
Common Security: Extension of Hypothecation of unencumbered machineries.
List of Fixed Assets & Machineries: - (1) Edgeband Machine, **(2)** Nesting Machine, **(3)** Aggregates, **(4)** CNC Solid Router, **(5)** Discharge Roller, (6) ISOS Copy Router, **(7)** Panda 400 Single Head Sawing Machine, **(8)** Roller Table, **(9)** Mimaki Printer, **(10)** Mimaki Cutter, **(11)** Hot Air Handling Unity-36KW, **(12)** Paint Booth Exhaust Duct, **(13)** Material Handling Trolley, **(14)** Paint Booth, **(15)** CNC Lathe, **(16)** Air Compressor, **(17)** Air Compressor Filter, **(18)** X Smart Solvent Automatic Dispenser (with UPS), **(19)** Manual Lathe, **(20)** Air Compressor 2HP 200L 220V, **(21)** Structura Brushing Machine (STR6002), **(22)** Membrane Press (MVP), **(23)** Hot Press (HVP), **(24)** Band Saw FB 610, **(25)** Spindle Moulder, **(26)** Dust Collector RL 250, **(27)** Dust Collector RL 350, **(28)** Dust Collector RL 350, **(29)** Edge Sander Hs950.
List of Machineries: (1) Felder Planer –Thicknesser AD9 51, **(2)** CNC Machining Centre Profit H500 R 16.38, **(3)** RL 350, **(4)** 125 KVA Cummins DG Set with Auto Logic Facility or equivalent.
All the machinery and stocks are situated at M/S Magnitude Global Industries Private Limited Anekal Survey No51/1 Kallubalu Post Office Ms Reunion Clothing Jigani Industrial Area Bangalore, Karnataka- 560105.

Amount Outstanding: Rs. 2,00,89,831.13 (Rupees Two Crore Eighty Nine Thousand Eight Hundred and Thirty One and Thirteen Paisa Only) as on 14.06.2026 further interest from that date till payment.

NPA Date : 30.03.2026 **Demand Notice Date : 15.06.2026**

If you fail to repay the aforesaid sum with interest and incidental expenses within 60 days from the date of this notice, Bank shall exercise all or any of the rights detailed under sub section (4) of the section 13 of the SARFAESI Act. You are also put on notice that in terms of sub section 13 of section 13, you shall not transfer by sale, lease or otherwise the said secured assets detailed above without obtaining written consent of the Bank. This notice is without prejudice to the Banks rights to initiate such other action or legal proceedings as it deem necessary under any other applicable provisions of law.

Date : 18.06.2026 **Sd/- Chief Manager,**
Place : Bengaluru **Bank of Baroda**

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client is desirous of purchasing land in Site No.35, carved out of Sy. No.50/2, Kamanahalli Village, Kacharakanahalli Dakle, Bengaluru North Taluk, Bengaluru measuring to an extent of 1200 square feet along with a residential building constructed thereon, morefully described in the schedule below from **Sri V. John Sagayam, Sri Joseph, Smt. Sagaya Rani, Smt. Selvi Mary, Smt. Mary, Sri M. Albert Ruben, Smt. Afrancina Mary, Sri S. Praveen Kumar and Sri S. Pradeep Raj.** If any person(s) has/have any right, claim or interest in the said property or any objection whatsoever to the said transaction, he/she/they may communicate the same to the undersigned within 07 days from date of this notice with documentary proof in support thereof, failing which, my client shall assume that there are no such rights, claims, interest (s) or objections and shall proceed to finalise the transaction as advised.

SCHEDULE

All the piece and parcel of land bearing Site No.35 of Survey No.50/2, situated at Kamanahalli Village, Kacharakanahalli Dakle, Bengaluru North Taluk, Bengaluru bounded on
East by : Plot No.34,
West by : Road,
North by : Road and on the
South by : Site No.43.
Measuring East by 30 Feet (Thirty Feet)
West by 30 Feet (Thirty Feet)
North by 40 Feet (Forty Feet)
And on the South by 40 Feet (Forty Feet)

Susheel Kumar V. Hadli Advocate
No.420, 3rd Main, MCH Layout, Anand Nagar,
Bengaluru - 560032. Mob : 90193 96200

Dated : June 21. 2026

Bank of Baroda

MSME Branch
409/410, G N R Layout, Kittaganahalli Gate, Bommasandra Indl. area, Bangalore, Karnataka-560158

NOTICE TO BORROWER

(UNDER SUB-SECTION (2) OF SECTION 13 OF THE SARFAESI ACT, 2002)

'At your request, Bank has extended credit facilities to the below mentioned individuals against secured assets through its **Bank of Baroda, MSME Branch.** The relevant particulars of the property on which you have created security interest by execution of security agreement/ documents & creation of mortgage by way deposit of title deeds are furnished hereunder. As the operation and conduct of the financial assistance/ credit facilities have become irregular, the debts have been classified as Non Performing Assets in accordance with the directives/guidelines issued by Reserve Bank of India consequent to the default committed by the borrowers in repayment of the principal debt and interest thereon. As the demand notice sent by register AD calling upon you, was un-served/not acknowledged, this publication is now issued.

1.Name and Address of the Borrower/Co-Borrower/Mortgagor/Guarantor: (1) M/s. Silex Granites Private Limited, 30/1, Honnahalli Village, Haradanahalli Hobali, Chamarajanagar, Karnataka-571313 **Guarantors : (1) Mr.Rajiv Vashist (Director)** S.C.O 142 143, 1st Floor, Sector 34A, Chandigarh-160022 **Also at : Mr.Rajiv Vashist (Director),** S/o Sh. Ram Dhan Vashisht 110, Sector 21, Panchkula, Sector 8, Haryana 134109 **(2) Mr.Sunil Bansal (Director),** Standard Chemicals, H No 170, 1st Floor, Sector 18A, Chandigarh-160018 **Also at : Mr.Sunil Bansal (Director),** S/o Sh Suresh Kumar, #170, FF, Sector 18A, Chandigarh-160018 **(3) Mr.Suveen Kant Gupta (Director),** House No.: 626, Sector-16-D, Chandigarh-160015 **Also at : Mr.Suveen Kant Gupta (Director),** S/o Sh. Amar Kant Gupta, H.No.626, Sector 16D, Chandigarh-160015 **(4) M/s. Sarthak Enterprises** #201, Brigade Horizon, Sidharth Nagar, Mysuru-570010

Sl No	Nature And Type of Facility	Limit	ROI	O/s Bal as on 01.01.2026 (inclusive of interest upto 01.01.2026)
1	Term Loan 74310600001826	Rs. 3,84,00,000.00	15.65% p.a. at present	Rs. 2,74,71,832.55

Hypothecation of Plant & Machinery (which is financed by us) : (i) Breton-Multi wire wire machine "Paragon Mod.P2100/6/V/76" NR 1, Maintenance kit for Paragon 1000/1600/2100 NR 1CF263060A00 4-wheeked motorized block holding trolley NR 3CC004390 DIAMOND WIRES DIAM 6,3 MM with computerized Electrical Panel.
(ii) BRETON-Single/Mono Sachi new Machine (Market Value considered for valuation PURPOSE as per current proforma Invoice) with Electrical Panel Wire.

Amount Outstanding: Rs. 2,74,42,884.55 (Rupees Two Crore Seventy Four Lakhs Forty Two Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty Four and Fifty Five Paise Only) and further interest from that date till payment.

NPA Date : 28.11.2025 **Demand Notice Date : 02.01.2026**

If you fail to repay the aforesaid sum with interest and incidental expenses within 60 days from the date of this notice, Bank shall exercise all or any of the rights detailed under sub section (4) of the section 13 of the SARFAESI Act. You are also put on notice that in terms of sub section 13 of section 13, you shall not transfer by sale, lease or otherwise the said secured assets detailed above without obtaining written consent of the Bank. This notice is without prejudice to the Banks rights to initiate such other action or legal proceedings as it deem necessary under any other applicable provisions of law.

Date : 18.06.2026 **Sd/- Chief Manager,**
Place : Bengaluru **Bank of Baroda**

POSSESSION NOTICE

Whereas, **Jana Small Finance Bank** under the provisions of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (54 of 2002) ("said Act") and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (12) of the said Act read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 ("said Rules") issued a **demand notice dated 17.05.2025** calling upon the borrower **1) Mrs. Lakshmi, Also at: M/s. Lakshmi Provision Store, 2) Mr. Narayana, 3) Mr. Hanumanthaiah, against LAN No.45350430001022** the guarantors and the mortgagors to repay the amount, details of which are mentioned in the table below:
And whereas subsequently, **Jana Small Finance Bank** has vide Assignment Agreement dated 25-03-2025 assigned all its rights, title, interest and benefits in respect of the debts due and payable by the borrower/ guarantor(s)/ mortgagor(s) arising out of the facilities advanced by **Jana Small Finance Bank** to borrower/ guarantor(s) alongwith the underlying Immovable Property to **Asset Reconstruction Company (India) Limited acting in its capacity as Trustee of Arcil Trust-2025-017 ("Arcil")** for the benefit of the holders of Security Receipts. Therefore, in view of the said assignment, **Arcil** now stands substituted in the place of **Jana Small Finance Bank** and **Arcil** shall be entitled to institute/ continue all and any proceedings against the borrower/ guarantor(s)/ mortgagor(s) and to enforce the rights and benefits under the financial documents including the enforcement of guarantee and security interest executed and created by the borrower/ guarantor(s)/ mortgagor(s) for the financial facilities availed by them.
The borrower/ guarantor(s)/ mortgagor(s) having failed to repay the said amounts, notice is hereby given to the borrower/ guarantor(s)/ mortgagor(s) in particular and the public in general that the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of **Arcil** has **taken possession** of the underlying Immovable Property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Sub-Section (4) of Section 13 of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said Rules on **"AS IS WHERE IS & WHATEVER THERE IS BASIS"** on the date mentioned below.

Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Mortgagor/ Guarantor Name	Demand Notice	Possession Date
Borrower/ Applicant: 1) Mrs. Lakshmi, Also at: M/s. Lakshmi Provision Store (Borrower), 2) Mr. Narayana (Co-Borrower & Mortgagor), 3) Mr. Hanumanthaiah (Co-Borrower)	**Rs.4,78,017.58** (Rupees Four Lakh Seventy Eight Thousand Seventeen and Fifty Eight Paisa Only) **due as on 15-05-2025**	**17.06.2026**

Description of Property: Property Details: All that piece and parcel of the Property No.150200302403321093/21/11, measuring East to West 9.14 meters and North to South 12.19 meters, situated at Chikkanahalli Village, Chikkanahalli Grama Panchayath, Bangalore South Block, Bangalore District and **Bounded on: East by:** Site No.12, **West by:** Road, **North by:** Road, **South by:** Site.No.10.

The borrower/guarantor(s)/mortgagor(s) in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned that **Arcil** is in **lawful possession** of the Immovable Property mentioned above and under Section 13(13) of the SARFAESI Act, 2002, the borrower/ guarantor(s)/ mortgagor(s) or any person whatsoever, shall after receipt of this notice not transfer by way of sale, lease or otherwise deal with/ alienate the Immovable Property, without prior written consent of **Arcil** and any dealings with the Immovable Property will be subject to the charge of **Arcil** for the amount as mentioned above along with future interest at the contractual rate on the aforesaid amount together with incidental expenses, cost, charges etc.
The borrowers'/ guarantors'/ mortgagors' attention is invited to the provisions of the Sub-Section (8) of Section 13 of the said Act, in respect of time available to redeem the above mentioned Immovable Property.

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Place: Bangalore **Asset Reconstruction Company (India) Limited**
Date: 20.06.2026 **Trustee of Arcil Trust-2025-017 ("Arcil")**

ASSET RECONSTRUCTION COMPANY (INDIA) LTD.
Registered Office: The Ruby, 10th Floor, 29 Senapati Bapat Marg, Dadar (W), Mumbai-400028.

POSSESSION NOTICE

Whereas, **Jana Small Finance Bank** under the provisions of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (54 of 2002) ("said Act") and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (12) of the said Act read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 ("said Rules") issued a **demand notice dated 17.05.2025** calling upon the borrower **1) Mrs. Shivamma, 2) Mr. Ramesha, against LAN No.47040430000229** the guarantors and the mortgagors to repay the amount, details of which are mentioned in the table below:
And whereas subsequently, **Jana Small Finance Bank** has vide Assignment Agreement dated 30-06-2025 assigned all its rights, title, interest and benefits in respect of the debts due and payable by the borrower/ co-borrower(s)/ mortgagor(s) arising out of the facilities advanced by **Jana Small Finance Bank** to borrower/ co-borrower(s)/ mortgagor(s) along with the underlying securities to **Asset Reconstruction Company (India) Limited acting in its capacity as Trustee of Arcil-Trust-2026-005 ('Arcil')** for the benefit of the holders of Security Receipts. Therefore, in view of the said assignment, **Arcil** now stands substituted in the place of **Jana Small Finance Bank** and **Arcil** shall be entitled to institute/ continue all and any proceedings against the borrower/ guarantor(s)/ mortgagor(s) and to enforce the rights and benefits under the financial documents including the enforcement of guarantee and security interest executed and created by the borrower/ guarantor(s)/ mortgagor(s) for the financial facilities availed by them.
The borrower/ guarantor(s)/ mortgagor(s) having failed to repay the said amounts, notice is hereby given to the borrower/ guarantor(s)/ mortgagor(s) in particular and the public in general that the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of **Arcil** has **taken possession** of the underlying Immovable Property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Sub-Section (4) of Section 13 of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said Rules on **"AS IS WHERE IS & WHATEVER THERE IS BASIS"** on the date mentioned below.

Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Mortgagor/ Guarantor Name	Demand Notice	Possession Date
Borrower/ Applicant: 1) Mrs. Shivamma (Borrower & Mortgagor), 2) Mr. Ramesha (Co-Borrower)	**Rs.3,42,052.35** (Rupees Three Lakh Forty Two Thousand Fifty Two and Thirty Five Paisa Only) **due as on 15-05-2025**	**17.06.2026**

Description of Property: Property Details: All that piece and parcel of Property No. 152900201800500178, Khaneshwari No.90/90/2, measuring East to West 4.572 Meters and North to South 16.4592 Meters, situated at Chunchi Colony, Nallhalli Doddi Village, Uyamballi Grama Panchayath, Kanakapura Block, Ramanagar District and **Bounded on: East by:** Property belongs to Prakash, **West by:** Road, **North by:** Property belongs to Mutthuraj, **South by:** Road.

The borrower/guarantor(s)/mortgagor(s) in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned that **Arcil** is in **lawful possession** of the Immovable Property mentioned above and under Section 13(13) of the SARFAESI Act, 2002, the borrower/ guarantor(s)/ mortgagor(s) or any person whatsoever, shall after receipt of this notice not transfer by way of sale, lease or otherwise deal with/ alienate the Immovable Property, without prior written consent of **Arcil** and any dealings with the Immovable Property will be subject to the charge of **Arcil** for the amount as mentioned above along with future interest at the contractual rate on the aforesaid amount together with incidental expenses, cost, charges etc.
The borrowers'/ guarantors'/ mortgagors' attention is invited to the provisions of the Sub-Section (8) of Section 13 of the said Act, in respect of time available to redeem the above mentioned Immovable Property.

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Place: Ramanagara **Asset Reconstruction Company (India) Limited**
Date: 20.06.2026 **Trustee of Arcil Trust-2025-017 ("Arcil")**

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E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE – FRESH SALE

Pursuant to taking possession of the secured asset mentioned hereunder by the Authorized Officer of **Piramal Finance Ltd (Formerly Piramal Capital & Housing Finance Ltd.)** under the **Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002** for the recovery of amount due from borrower/s, offers are invited by the undersigned for purchase of immovable property, as described hereunder, which is in the possession, on **'As Is Where Is Basis', 'As Is What Is Basis' and 'Whatever Is There Is Basis',** Particulars of which are given below:

Loan Code / Branch / Borrower(s) / Co-Borrower(s)/ Guarantor(s)	Demand Notice Date and Amount	Property Address _final	Reserve Price	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) (10% of RP)	Outstanding Amount (17-06-2026)	Inspection Date
Loan Code No.:HLSA0005E54D, Bangalore Branch (Branch), RAVICHANDRA T (Borrower), PUSHPA LATHA (Co Borrower 1) - (Co Borrower 2)	Dt: 25/07/2024 Rs. 6569843/-, (Rs. Sixty-Five Lakh Sixty-Nine Thousand Eight Hundred Forty-Three Rupees Only)	All The piece and Parcel of the Property having an extent :- Property bearing Site No.1 Formed In Sy.No. 51 Situated At New Mariyappana Palya 560023 Boundaries As :- North :- West :- East :- South :-	Rs. 5900000/- Rs. Fifty-Nine Lakh Only	Rs. 590000/-, (Rs. Five Lakh Ninety Thousand Only)	Rs. 8534671/-, (Rs. Eighty-Five Lakh Thirty-Four Thousand Six Hundred Seventy-One Rupees Only Only)	29/6/2026
Loan Code No.: M0109499, Bangalore Branch (Branch), SANTOSH KUMAR N(Borrower), GAYITHRI N (Co Borrower 1) - (Co Borrower 2)	Dt: 17/08/2023 Rs. 2630330/-, (Rs. Twenty-Six Lakh Thirty Thousand Three Hundred Thirty Rupees Only)	All The piece and Parcel of the Property having an extent :- SITE NO 57 PORTION OUT OF ITI AREA 560036 Boundaries As :- North :- West :- East :- South :-	Rs. 7716000 Rs. Seventy-Seven Lakh Sixteen Thousand Only	Rs. 771600/-, (Rs. Seven Lakh Seventy-One Thousand Six Hundred Only)	Rs. 3705501.1/-, (Rs. Thirty-Seven Lakh Five Thousand Five Hundred One Rupees and Ten Paise Only)	30/6/2026
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EDITORIAL

"There is no logic that can be superimposed on the city; people make it, and it is to them, not buildings, that we must fit our plans" — Jane Jacobs

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— Ramnath Goenka

IRON WILL NEEDED TO CONVERT COVENANT INTO LASTING PEACE

THE parallels could not have been more poignant. Days before the 107th anniversary of one US President signing a 14-point peace agenda in a gilded hall at Versailles, another followed suit in the sprawling palace outside Paris. More than a century ago, Woodrow Wilson needed several months after the signing to reconcile competing proposals and secure peace after the First World War. This time, the hope is that Donald Trump will expend enough political capital to iron out the remaining differences and rein in Israel's roguish belligerence, delivering a lasting peace in West Asia.

Over the 114 days since Israel and the US launched their war on Iran, the world has repeatedly swung between hope and despair, with temporary ceasefires giving way to renewed hostilities. On Sunday, American and Iranian negotiators met in the Swiss town of Bürgenstock, alongside Pakistani and Qatari mediators, to advance the 14-point memorandum of understanding towards a peace pact envisaged by mid-August. All sides appeared clear that the most pressing issue was the conduct of someone not in the room. The US President and Vice President voiced their harshest warnings yet for the Benjamin Netanyahu government to toe the line drawn by their biggest benefactor. For the other side, the Iranian foreign ministry said the momentum towards peace would depend on Israel's actions in Lebanon. The limits of Iran's nuclear options and a mechanism to keep the Strait of Hormuz open were the other technical points on the agenda, along with the flow of funds to Iran that the memorandum of understanding promises.

Iran, bitten twice in a year by Israel, also wants to ensure a longer-term structured assurance against repeated attacks. Perhaps the world, reminded afresh of what one choked maritime passage can wreak on the global economy, should use this moment to think ahead with the collective wisdom of hindsight. The 1919 Treaty of Versailles had led to the formation of the League of Nations, an unequal high table that seeded resentments. In an era when multiple disruptions are redefining geopolitics, we must design a fresh template beyond the UN charter to ensure equitable global governance. The world is again facing an imperative Georges Clemenceau had articulated after the Versailles Treaty, "Now we have to win the peace, and it may be more difficult." But first, a durable armistice.

ODISHA TEXTBOOK FIASCO WARRANTS STERN ACTION

A staggering 1,600-odd mistakes in textbooks printed and circulated among schools by the Odisha government are not merely proofing blunders. They are proof of institutional failure. From a picture of Karnataka's Vidhan Soudha being used for the Odisha State Assembly to the Hampi Stone Chariot being passed off as the Konark Sun Temple, factual inaccuracies and grammatical errors across subjects have brought embarrassment to the BJP government. Errors range from locating the Niyamgiri Hills in Jharkhand to mistakes in the names of eminent personalities. The lapses of the School and Mass Education (SME) Department span languages—English, Hindi, Urdu and even Odia have not been spared. The less said about typographical and spelling errors, the better. One can gauge the enormity of the gaffes from the fact that the State Council of Educational Research and Training (SCERT), which prepared the textbooks, had to publish two volumes of corrigenda running to 115 pages. Chief Minister Mohan Charan Majhi, evidently unhappy with the situation, ordered a probe by a panel and vowed action against those responsible.

However, the entire episode smacks of callousness. Textbook preparation began last year. A 24-member core committee, comprising departmental officers and subject experts, was entrusted with syllabus scrutiny. But so negligible was oversight that the errors were discovered only after 2.9 crore copies of 57 textbooks had been printed and circulated. AI and translation tools appear to have been used while human supervision remained absent. The scale of the blunder is as disturbing as the state government's reluctance to fix accountability. Compounding matters, SME Minister Nityananda Gond's attempt to dismiss the issue as a mere printing mistake is unfortunate. For students, textbooks are sacrosanct. They are often the first and most authoritative source of knowledge, which is why every stage of their preparation demands the highest standards of scrutiny.

The episode is particularly troubling because the textbooks were developed under the State Curriculum Framework and aligned with the National Education Policy 2020. Curriculum reform is meant to improve learning outcomes, not create confusion. When the curriculum process itself is compromised, the credibility of the reform comes into question. Textbook errors have surfaced in the past, but the magnitude of this episode is staggering. Course correction must be undertaken, but accountability must precede it—and it should begin at the top.

QUICK TAKE

ORBIT OVERLOAD

SPACEX, Google and other tech companies are advancing plans for orbital AI data centres. With abundant solar power and falling launch costs, they see space as the best future location. But low-Earth orbit's already crowded. European Space Agency tracks 44,870 objects in orbit; 9,300 of them are operational satellites, while the rest are dead spacecraft, rocket stages and debris, alongside an estimated 1.2 million smaller objects. Still, SpaceX proposes a data-centre constellation of one million satellites, while Google's Project Suncatcher envisions packed satellite groups. Collision risks are thus real: Starlink satellites executed 300,000 collision-avoidance manoeuvres in 2025 alone. With no binding regulations, approving data-centre fleets before enforcing stricter debris controls would be reckless.

The most sustainable city is an existing one. Reviving India's historic urban centres can simultaneously address climate pressures, protect cultural heritage and create new opportunities for development

THE FUTURE LIES IN INDIA'S OLD CITIES AND THEIR RENEWAL

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Urban designer and former Chairman of the Delhi Urban Art Commission

THE idea of Tier I to VI cities was originally developed by the government to calculate employee benefits such as house rent, dearness allowance based on the population size of settlements. Though this classification is no longer officially used, the categories continue in real estate and development circles, where they are defined by land value and population. The seven metropolitan cities remain Tier I, while many smaller state capitals and towns are classified as Tier II, reflecting their investment and land-value potential. Housing markets are a key driver of this hierarchical categorisation, which has since extended into development finance and real estate planning.

In its present form, the category of Tier II cities is largely defined by exclusion, emerging from a hierarchy anchored in metropolitan centres. Land markets, investment recovery potential and flexible negotiation environments characterise Tier II and Tier III cities.

When land markets become saturated in big cities, investment shifts towards Tier II cities, driving infrastructure growth through wider road networks, metro systems, and new investments in hospitals, hotels and housing. Growth is driven not by the needs of these cities but by external capital pressures, including global financial flows. Local administrations are often ill-equipped to manage these pressures, while the political class is eager to facilitate land-use changes and land transactions.

The master planning process has been practised in India for decades and is ideally based on extensive local surveys, public hearings and people's participation. Needs are assessed through planning standards and regional plan provisions. Tier-based hierarchies are never a criterion in plan preparation. Plans are not driven by financial considerations and typically follow similar physical patterns from city to city, with ring roads, designated industrial land use and broadly density-driven housing. In most cases, external pressures for housing and infrastructure fall outside the planning framework, resulting in forced land-use changes and new movement networks. Participatory planning and public hearings are often undermined by these externally driven capital pressures.

Though the 74th Constitutional Amendment clearly lays out a method for plan preparation, investment decisions follow a different logic, detached from the priorities of elected local bodies. When the Constitution vests development planning in local government, an externally generated hierarchy such as the Tier II city construct works against a locally rooted, need-based model of development. Instead of neighbourhood health centres across the city, what gets built may be a super-specialty hospital; instead of tot lots, a large stadium. Available land becomes the basis for new housing, when what is needed is a strategic programme of inner-city renewal. The relationship between Tier I and Tier II cities remains colonial, as impatient capital continually seeks new pastures.

SOURAV ROY

Barring Chandigarh and Gandhinagar, almost every Tier II city contains an embedded old city, pre-industrial in origin and part of settlement networks shaped by functional needs rather than investment hierarchies.

Centuries-old urban centres are classified as Tier II and Tier III, from which migration to larger cities has long been the norm. Human Development Index scores remain low, social amenities are inadequate and environmental degradation grows, while land remains underutilised. Former pilgrimage centres, abandoned capitals, trading hubs, and centres of traditional learning, music, performing arts, toy-making and painting are languishing across India in the absence of an equity-based urban development strategy. Relegation to a lower hierarchy only deepens this neglect.

From the perspective of the climate crisis, an existing building is the most sustainable one; an existing city is the most sustainable city. They demand no new resources. Conserving India's existing urban centres and arresting outmigration is no longer a romantic obsession with the past. Rather, it is an urgent necessity that helps address the climate crisis, stabilise local populations and protect India's age-old cultures.

The Smart Cities Mission began as a plan for 100 new cities, but soon gave way to the more modest goal of upgrading 100 existing ones. Ground realities and limited local implementation capacity reduced the programme to its third avatar: 100 selected areas within those cities. The mission ended with thousands of crores unspent, while the maintenance of these interventions and their impact on urban structure remain unevaluated. In the process, a major opportunity was lost to revive India's heritage cities through planned regeneration and the intelligent use of technology.

If India's planners continue to cling to 19th-century notions of road widening and industry-centric development, the climate crisis will soon find a formidable ally in industry itself. Can we instead open a new discourse on preserving India's rich urban traditions through the conservation of existing cities and the intelligent use of technology? Can we turn impending digital disruptions into opportunities for urban conservation?

If India's old cities (read Tier II and Tier III cities) are reimagined as future-ready spaces, more people would choose to remain in them, allowing their intrinsic values to be nurtured. Many urban design principles—including density of form, shaded vehicle-free movement, mixed use and sustainable built form—are already embedded in these old cities. Their inadequacies relate mainly to parking and vehicular access, modern sanitation and waste-disposal systems, and inadequate social infrastructure. All of these can be addressed through intelligent design and effective adaptive reuse. Many old cities remain poorly mapped and suffer from unreliable power supply. Through a mission-mode approach across India, these deficiencies can be remedied at a fraction of the cost and with far lower resource use.

Urban conservation has received only a fraction of the attention devoted to planning and urban design. Digitisation offers an opportunity to strengthen historic urban fabric through digital infrastructure and reliable electricity. Such interventions would immediately raise land values while helping resolve fragmented ownership patterns. The State must lead. Unlike the industrial revolution, the digital revolution is less physically invasive in historic cities. Smart City-II should be directed exclusively towards Tier II and Tier III cities, combining climate mitigation, heritage protection and income opportunities.

(Views are personal)

THE DISCIPLINE OF DECORUM

RENUKA NARAYANAN

FAITHLINE

LOSING our temper in public and having heated altercations seem to have become the Indian norm, as incidents keep showing in the news. Whereas our traditional position was, 'maintain decorum, no matter what and why'. Consider Queen Kaikeyi, who is furious that Rama, not Bharata, is to be king. How correct her behaviour is, nevertheless. No nasty, vulgar scenes for her. She retreats into the '*kopagriha*', the anger room. It's notable how she is so proper even when she's being horrible. This old Indian dictum on propriety has its merits. Because, while righteous anger cannot be wrong, unrestrained temper damages everybody—the individual, society at large and the entire functioning process.

As a respite from all the name-calling going on in the world, let's think for a spell of pleasant names and their positive resonances. One of my frequent-flier friends calls it her airport mantra. She finds it exhilarating to see the electronic flight status roll past. "Such amazing city names, that's the romance of travel, of being part of a great flow," she says, for all that she's a canny corporate-type not given to undue sentiment.

I, too, am unable to be blasé on flights. I am unabashedly delighted by the wonder of being airborne, though I pray like anything to Pavanputra Hanuman before take-off and if we hit an air-pocket. East Europeans and Turks applaud when the flight lands, which shows appreciation—for the pilot's skill, for the grandeur of human invention and for the laws of aerodynamics and gravity. And surely, gratitude to 'whom it may concern' is due, whatever name we call 'that', for having made it safely back to *terra firma* one more time?

The Air India morning flight from Bangkok to Delhi offers a unique civilisational sight from the sky, soaring over three great rivers—the Mekong (meaning 'Ma Ganga') soon after take-off as the flight heads northwest over the borders between Thailand, Laos and Myanmar; Irrawaddy (Iravati) mid-flight; and the Ganga herself, approaching Delhi.

Bangkok began as a small trading centre on the Chao Phraya, meaning River of Kings. It was called 'Bang Makok', meaning 'the village of wild plum trees', serving Ayutthaya (Ayodhya), then the capital of Siam, until Ayutthaya fell to the Burmese in 1767. A new capital came up around Bangkok. In 1782, King Rama I named this new city Krung Thep, City of Celestials, '*thep*' meaning '*dev*'. Thais call it Krung Thep, not Bangkok, like we say "Bharat", not "India", among ourselves.

Many may know this, but just to enjoy its flow together, here's Bangkok's full name: Krung Thep Mahanakhon Amon Rattanakosin Mahinthara Ayutthaya Mahadilok Phop Noppharat Ratchadhani Burirom Udomratchaniwet Mahasathan Amon Piman Awatan Sathit Sakkathattiya Witsanukam Prasit.

Which means: "The city of celestials, the great city, the eternal jewel city, the impregnable city of Lord Indra, the grand capital of the world endowed with nine precious gems, the happy city, abounding in a grand royal palace that resembles the heavenly abode where reigns the incarnated god, a city given by Indra and built by Visnukarn (Viswakarma)".

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> While our Asian neighbours have managed to excel in public civility, Indians have little motivation to be patient or avoid littering. For all the depictions of the mannerly archetype that originated in the subcontinent, a fictitious 19th-century detective offers an explanation for similar contrasts

Bangkok is also world-famous for spectacular traffic jams. Some of Bangkok's intersections can turn us, curry-in-a-hurry folks, into gibbering wrecks. One such quasar is where Asoke Montri Road cuts Sukhumvit Road. And yet the Thais do not have road rage. Why? Hailing from rough, impatient Delhi-NCR, I was tormented by this question. I knew about the Buddha's benign influence on Thailand, but how were Thais so well-behaved in public?

A Russian author offers a clue through his fictitious 19th-century detective, Erast Fandorin. The author is Boris Akunin, who is really Grigory Chkhartishvili, who is compared to Gogol, Tolstoy and Arthur Conan Doyle. He has sold over 20 million Fandorin books in Russia alone. Says the dashing Erast in *Murder on the Leviathan*, "Christian culture is based on a sense of guilt. The (eastern) motivation is different. In their society the moral restraints derive from a sense of shame… I can assure you that shame is a far more civilising influence than guilt."

Whatever be the case, isn't it mortifying that both westerners and easterners generally behave better at home and abroad than those pushy, quarrelsome Indians immune to both shame and guilt? Perhaps the Union government could produce an *adab nama* or book of manners, call it whatever, as required reading, since no religious preacher has evidently taught enough people to speak politely, be patient, not litter and behave with dignity.

Concerning Buddhism, many in India may not remember the mannerly young woman who became a turning point in the birth of this great world religion. Sujata, who, seeing a starving ascetic beneath a banyan tree, offered him a reviving drink of the *madhu payasam* or *kheer* that she carried. He course-corrected from his excessive austerities after this respectful, kind interaction and thereby attained enlightenment.

There are many charming depictions of Sujata in Thailand, carved over the entrance to a *wat* or Thai temple, or bending anxiously in a mural or painting at a big shrine. She has to be one of the dearest persons in world history. The Venerable Thich Nhat Hanh retells this and other episodes beautifully in his English translation of the *Buddhacharita*, 'Old Path White Clouds'. I go back to it sometimes, for the cleansing pleasure of reading again about the Holy One.

If other filters fail, perhaps we could think of Sakyamuni's equable temperament the next time we feel triggered in public, and achieve a spot of civilisational shame ourselves?

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Equal partners

Ref: *Indo drop* (Jun 21). The issue requires a Kennedy Round-style remedial action to preserve security cooperation and keep changing loyalties in check. This can involve higher-order communication so that the focus can be diverted towards core principles and what individual stakeholders have to offer, rather than polarised decision-making.
Sureshbabu Kalyansundaram, email

Trump's presidency

Ref: *Trump's war & peace* (Jun 21).
Donald Trump's reputation as the "president of peace" precedes him. He makes a peace agreement with Iran and violates it before the ink is dry. He should put an end to the continuous chest-beating and posing as the 'peacemaker' when he can't even stop the indiscriminate strikes on Lebanon.
Muhammed Shahul, Kozhikode

Self-serving parties

Ref: *Heading for a two-party system?* (Jun 21). The country is witnessing also-rans; recognised parties without any clear ideology, policy perspectives and roadmap for the country's development. These parties contest elections merely for political survival and to perpetuate family tradition. In a two-party landscape, surviving parties will have to incorporate ambitions and aspirations of all, leaving room for no complaints.
K R Venkata Narasimhan, Madurai

Political immaturity

Ref: *NSS flays 'arrogant' VDS* (Jun 21).
After personally tried to hunt him down in the election, the stance of NSS general secretary is a matter of extreme political hypocrisy, arrogance and shame. Nair should know that a CM has many administrative responsibilities and must respect the office.
K A Solaman, email

Israel's whims

Ref: *Iran shuts Hormuz again* (Jun 21).
Israel is not leaving any stone unturned to put a spanner in every ceasefire. There is no end in sight to the conflict until and unless Tel Aviv mends its ways. One only hopes that Benjamin Netanyahu sees reason and refrains from wanton aggression.
Aanya Singhal, Noida

Leak accountability

Ref: *Drama at Jantar Mantar* (Jun 21).
The Cockroach Janta Party resorting to peaceful protests highlights a mature means of expressing dissent. The education minister needs to appreciate the feelings of the youth, accept responsibility and resign.
T M Uday Shankar, Hyderabad

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POSTS OF THE DAY

Shivraj Singh Chouhan @ChouhanShivraj
Met people at public welfare camps in Ichhawar and Bhairunda today. When a solution brings a smile, it feels that the purpose of public service is truly being fulfilled.

Ashok Gehlot @ashokgehlot51
The tension that has persisted for several days in eastern Rajasthan over the opening of the Panchna Dam is a matter of serious concern.

Mahua Moitra @MahuaMoitra
The NCPI's Facebook page says "it helps the poor people of our society." Really hope it manages to help these 20 not-so-poor traitors too.

Move shows govt's faith in Deka, who is scheduled to retire on June 30 ● Mehta has completed eight years in office

IB director's tenure likely to be extended third time

MUKESH RANJAN @ New Delhi

THE Centre is learnt to be considering a rare third consecutive extension in service for Intelligence Bureau Director Tapan Kumar Deka, which sources said reflects the leadership's emphasis on continuity in the country's internal security architecture.

If approved by the Appointments Committee of the Cabinet (ACC), Deka, a 1988-batch Indian Police Service (IPS) officer of the Himachal Pradesh cadre, will continue beyond June 30, the date on which his current tenure ends. The move would make him the longest-serving chief of India's premier internal intelligence agency. Sources in the top bureaucracy said the government continues to repose "exceptional trust" in Deka's handling of sensitive counter-terrorism operations and internal security challenges, particularly in J&K and the Northeast.

Deka took charge as the IB Director on July 1, 2022, for an initial fixed tenure of two years. Since then, he has already received two successive one-year extensions -- first till June 2025 and later till June this year. A third extension, if it gets the go-ahead, would underscore the Centre's preference for operational continuity amid an evolving security landscape across the country.

Final decision to be taken closer to end of tenure

Sources said the government views Deka's institutional knowledge and operational oversight as critical at a time of persistent internal and regional security challenges. They said the final decision on the next IB Director is likely to be taken closer to the end of Deka's tenure.

Regarded within intelligence and security circles as a seasoned "crisis manager", Deka is known for his deep operational experience and low-profile approach. Before heading the IB, he had led the agency's operations wing for more than two decades and played a key role in several high-stakes counter-terror initiatives.

Deka was closely involved in counter-terror operations during the 26/11 Mumbai terror attacks in 2008 and later he spearheaded intelligence operations against the Indian Mujahideen, the terror outfit linked to a series of bombings and extremist activities across the country during the 2000s.

Deka is also considered an expert on Pakistan-sponsored terrorism in Jammu and Kashmir and has long served as one of the government's principal intelligence hands on the Union territory. His experience in handling insurgency and radicalisation-related matters has made him a key figure in India's domestic security establishment, sources said.

In 2019, he was deputed to his home state of Assam to help manage the law-and-order situation following widespread protests and violence triggered by the Citizenship Amendment Act (CAA). The sources said the government views Deka's institutional knowledge and operational oversight as critical at a time of persistent internal and regional security challenges.

Longest-serving SG gets another term as govt's second highest law officer

SUCHITRA KALYAN MOHANTY @ New Delhi

THE Appointments Committee of the Cabinet (ACC) has approved the re-appointment of Solicitor General (SG) Tushar Mehta for another term of three years with effect from July 1, 2026, or until further orders, whichever is earlier, according to a notification issued by the Department of Personnel & Training (DoPT).

With this, Mehta will continue as the Union government's second-highest law officer and is set to complete 11 years as SG by the end of his fresh tenure. Mehta assumed the SG office in 2018. Before that he had been working as an Additional Solicitor General since 2014. Before that he had been appointed as Additional Advocate General of Gujarat in 2008. As Tushar Mehta has already completed eight years in the role of SG, the re-appointment will make him one of the longest-serving Solicitors General in India's judicial history.

The notification issued by the DoPT on Saturday also stated the re-appointment of five Additional Solicitors General (ASGs) for the Supreme Court for another three-year term. The re-appointment of three ASGs—Suryaprakash V Raju, N Venkataraman, and Aishwarya Bhati—will take effect from June 30. The ACC has cleared re-appointment of two ASGs—Vikramji Banerjee and KM Nataraj—for the Supreme Court for a further term of three years from July 30.

The DoPT notification also said that the re-appointment of Chetan Sharma as ASG for High Court of Delhi for a further term of six months will take effect from July 1 or until further orders, whichever is earlier.

INSIDER TRACK

SPG crown up for grabs

With incumbent SPG Director Alok Sharma retiring at the end of June, the government is weighing successors for one of the country's most sensitive security assignments. Sources say the process has narrowed to three senior IPS officers. The natural frontrunner is S Suresh, a 1995-batch Kerala-cadre officer serving as Additional Director General in the SPG. But he reportedly prefers cadre repatriation. Should that request be accepted, attention shifts to the next in line, Sanjay A Lathkar of the Jharkhand-cadre and fellow 1995-batch officer Padmakar S Ranipse of Odisha. Sources say, it is a toss among the three officers to get the prestigious post.

Work speaks, PMO says

A message from the PMO is travelling across ministries: public communication must focus on government work, not individual image-building by secretaries. Officials say ministries have been encouraged to rely more on Press Information Bureau officers and less on an expanding network of private consultants and public-relations firms. The aim is to keep messaging institutional, coordinated and policy-centric. PIB teams are now expected to handle communication requirements for both ministries and their departments, reducing dependence on outside advisers.

India's heritage calling card

As India accelerates efforts to secure GI tags for 10,000 products by 2030, geographically rooted goods increasingly crowd the country's diplomatic toolkit. The government views them as symbols of traditional knowledge, sustainable practices and rural enterprise. At the G7 Summit in France, PM Modi presented leaders with Rajasthan's Nagauri Ashwagandha, J&K's Ramban Honey, Meghalaya Lakadong Turmeric and a Banarasi silk stole, each reflecting a different strand of India's heritage. Similarly, the UAE presently was recently gifted Meghalaya pineapples. Meanwhile, India's GI portfolio continues expanding. Ladakh secured six new tags, including Seabuckthorn and Raktsey Karpo Apricot. Assam added Karbi Anglong handlooms and Bihu Pepa. Jharkhand's Bhagaiya Silk and Munda Jewellery, alongside Bihar's Bawan Buti weaving and Pidiya Painting, joined the registry.

No hiding behind AI: NHAI

As the National Highways Authority of India increases its use of AI, chairman Santosh Kumar Yadav is drawing a firm line on responsibility. The agency has developed five in-house AI tools that are now being used regularly by officials for project monitoring, productivity gains and quicker decision-making. During review meetings, some officers reportedly shared a familiar sentiment: if errors surfaced later, blame could easily be shifted to machine-generated outputs. Yadav, however, is learnt to have rejected that reasoning. The tools, he told officials, are meant to aid the officers. Accountability always remains with the officer, not the algorithm.

Cong demands right to vote as fundamental right to prevent SIR exclusions

'EC working at behest of PM, Shah'

Jairam Ramesh accused the EC of functioning in a 'blatantly partisan' manner at the behest of senior BJP leaders

Rahul grooms leaders

Rahul Gandhi on Sunday spent four hours in Chhattisgarh's Abhanpur, about 30 km from the state capital, grooming leaders at a training camp.

MUKESH RANJAN @ New Delhi

THE Congress on Sunday reiterated its demand to declare voting a fundamental right, arguing that the move would strengthen constitutional safeguards against alleged voter suppression and arbitrary disqualifications under the SIR process in several states.

AICC General Secretary (Communication) Jairam Ramesh accused the Election Commission of India (EC) of functioning in a "blatantly partisan" manner at the behest of PM Narendra Modi and Union Home Minister Amit Shah. He said elevating voting rights to the status of a fundamental right would ensure the "highest level of judicial review and protection" and enable closer Supreme Court scrutiny of the poll body's functioning. Ramesh linked the demand to a recent SC ruling delivered on June 19, 2026, in which a two-judge bench declared the right to walk on a footpath a fundamental right under the Constitution. A bench of Justices PS Narasimha and AS Chandurkar held that pedestrians' rights on demarcated footpaths take precedence over motorised vehicles and are protected under Articles 19(1)(d) and 21 of the Constitution, he noted.

Ramesh recalled that the Advisory Committee on Fundamental Rights chaired by Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel had discussed the issue in April 1947. He said Dr B R Ambedkar and Babu Jagjivan Ram had strongly favoured making voting a fundamental right, while Patel and C Rajagopalachari opposed the move, fearing princely states might resist joining the Union. According to Ramesh, Patel eventually argued that universal adult franchise itself carried the character of an implicit fundamental right.

If DMK supports delimitation bill, TN won't accept it: Cong

CONGRESS'S newly elected Rajya Sabha member from Tamil Nadu, **Praveen Chakravarty**, spoke to **Preetha Nair** on his new role, the TVK-led government's agenda and the strained ties with the DMK. **Excerpts:**

What are your priorities as a new RS member?
As the first representative of the TVK-Congress alliance in Parliament, this position comes at a very crucial time. Under the BJP government, there are attempts to split parties in states like Bengal, Maharashtra, and Punjab, to secure majority support for key bills such as the delimitation bill and the One Nation, One Election bill. It is an attack on the rights of states, especially those in the South. We will firmly oppose this.

DMK has called Congress political opportunists, backstabbers, etc.
Aligning with TVK was neither sudden nor backstabbing. The TN Congress wanted an alliance with the TVK even before the elections, and that the DMK tried to backstab the voters by forging a secret deal with the AIADMK after the results.

We felt this ran counter to the expectations of voters who supported change. The DMK did not consult the allies on this.

Why wasn't the alliance decided before the elections?
Even before the election, a large majority of Tamil Nadu Congress workers favoured alliance with TVK. They felt that the DMK neither respected nor shared power fairly with partners. However, the high command took a different decision due to national-level considerations. There was also strong propaganda and perception management by the DMK using plaint media. The post-election reality showed our assessment was correct.

Do you think DMK will back INDIA if bills like delimitation are introduced again?
The INDIA bloc was formed primarily for the 2024 parliamentary elections. We are not in an election phase now, and at this stage, it serves more as a platform for parliamentary cooperation. Whether the DMK attends meetings or not is secondary. The question is whether it stands together in Parliament when legislation affecting federalism is brought forward. If the DMK supports the bills, it will be politically unacceptable in Tamil Nadu.

What's the TVK government's stand on contentious issues such as delimitation?
The TVK government has been categorical in opposing delimitation, NEET and the three-language formula, as stated in its manifesto. There is a strong demand for fresh alternatives, especially among the youth.

What is your stance on the Mekedatu dam issue?
It does not matter which party is in power in Karnataka, we still oppose the dam. But, as a national party, we can engage in dialogue and seek solutions, but our position on the project remains unchanged.

EXPRESS READ

CBSE announces Class 12 re-evaluation results

The CBSE declared the revaluation results on Sunday for students who applied for verification and re-evaluation of their Class 12 board exam answer sheets, with over 87 per cent of the applications announced in the first phase. The CBSE declared the revaluation results on Sunday for students who applied for verification and re-evaluation of their Class 12 board exam answer sheets, with over 87% of the applications announced in the first phase.

'India-China border dispute linked to Tibet'

Criticising Chinese Foreign Minister Wang Yi's visit to India for the two-day conclave of BRICS National Security Advisers, the Tibetan Youth Congress (TYC) on Sunday argued that the India-China border dispute is directly linked to China's occupation of Tibet as it asserted that the international community should not overlook the Tibet issue while engaging with China on diplomatic and strategic matters. Wang Yi is visiting New Delhi from June 22 to 23

Men hooked to liquor, women to smoking: Survey

KAVITA BAJELI-DATT @ New Delhi

LIQUOR consumption among men, including in Bihar, which has imposed prohibition on it, has gone up, while more and more women in India are taking up tobacco, according to the NFHS-6 (2023-24) data.

Thirteen states and UTs, including Telangana and UP, report an increase in any tobacco use among females in the age group of 15 years and above as compared to the National Family Health Survey-5 (2019-21). This is despite a slight national dip—from 8.9% to 8.4%—in women using tobacco of any kind. The same applies to men. Tobacco usage among men went down from 38.0% to 36.3%, as per the National Family Health Survey-6.

However, in many states and UTs, usage of tobacco is high among both men and women. According to Dr Shalini Singh, Director, Indian Council of Medical Research-National Institute of Cancer Prevention and Research, Noida (ICMR-NICPR), a national average that appears favourable can mask subnational crises.

"Tobacco control policy must be disaggregated to the state and district level. We need state-specific and, most importantly, district-level burden assessments and tailored interventions," she told this paper.

What is worrisome is that the use of tobacco has seen a rise among women, more so among rural women, in many states.

It is, however, not that men are not smoking. In 10 states, including in UP and Uttarakhand, more men are smoking as compared to the national average. Liquor consumption among men aged 15 years and above has seen a rise both nationally (from 18.7% to 18.9%) and in as many as 13 states and UTs, including in Andhra, Kerala, and Telangana.

In dry states like Bihar, Nagaland and Mizoram, its consumption has risen. The impact of a ban can only be seen in Gujarat, where there is a decline in its consumption among both men and women. Although nationally, consumption of liquor has slightly dipped among women from 1.3% to 1.1%, in eight states, including in Andhra Pradesh, Kerala and Telangana, it has gone up.

Of all deaths caused by tobacco in India,
48%
are due to cardiovascular disease, making CVD the single largest cause of tobacco-attributable mortality in the country
The silent tragedy
This means nearly half of every tobacco death in India is a heart attack or a stroke
Tobacco usage among men went down from 38.0% to 36.3%, as per National Family Health Survey-6
Tobacco-attributable cancers are 27–30% of all cancers, with men in high-burden regions exceeding 40–50%
CVD kills more tobacco users than all other tobacco-related diseases combined. Chronic respiratory diseases account for a further 23% of tobacco deaths, and cancers
10%
Smokeless tobacco is causally associated with cancers of the oral cavity, oropharynx, hypopharynx, and oesophagus
India bears approximately one-third of the global oral cancer burden, overwhelmingly driven by smokeless tobacco

CAT starts process to fill vacancies, 82 deputations to be made for three yrs

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR @ New Delhi

THE Principal Bench of the Central Administrative Tribunal (CAT) has initiated the process to fill vacant and anticipated vacancies across its benches in various states. The posts, which are vacant or expected to become vacant in several categories, will initially be filled on a deputation basis for a period of three years.

In a circular recently issued by Preeti Singh, Principal Registrar, CAT, it has been stated that the number of vacancies may increase or decrease during the final recruitment process. At present, 82 posts are vacant across various CAT benches in the country, including five posts of Joint Registrar and seven posts of Deputy Registrar, along with vacancies in several other categories.

According to official information, vacancies are currently available and are also likely to arise in the Cuttack, Guwahati, Jammu, Jodhpur, Mumbai, Kolkata and Srinagar benches of the tribunal, or in any other bench where vacancies may exist at the time of final selection. For the post of Joint Registrar, officers possessing a degree in law and holding analogous posts under the central government, state government or High Court, as well as judicial officers with a minimum of eight years of regular service, are eligible to apply. Similarly, seven vacancies for the post of Deputy Registrar are presently available at the Allahabad, Chennai, Cuttack, Ernakulam, Guwahati, Hyderabad and Kolkata Benches of the Tribunal.

In addition, one vacancy each exists for the posts of principal private secretary and deputy controller of accounts at certain benches. The highest number of 26 vacancies exists for the posts of Section Officer and Court Officer. These vacancies are spread across various benches, including New Delhi, Ahmedabad, Allahabad, Bengaluru, Chandigarh, etc.

MORE OPENINGS

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PRE-WEDDING BUST
The trend of uploading pre-wedding photoshoots and reels on social media helped foil a child marriage bid involving a 15-year-old girl in Maharashtra's Beed, officials said Sunday.

3 HURT IN LEOPARD ATTACK IN RAJASTHAN'S ALWAR

INDIA	Max	Min		Max	Min
Ahmedabad	39	29	Mumbai	31	27
Bhopal	36	26	Panaji	28	25
Jaipur	36	28	Patna	38	29
Amritsar	36	27	Lucknow	41	31
Chennai	34	27	Port Blair	31	28
Kolkata	34	28	Imphal	28	23
Srinagar	23	14	Chandigarh	36	27

Yoga can unite India and world: PM

Modi says most people struggle with imbalance in life, should use yoga to bring balance

Prime Minister Narendra Modi during the Yoga Day in Kolkata on Sunday. (R) Home Minister Amit Shah in Ahmedabad | PTI

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Kolkata

PRIME Minister Narendra Modi on Sunday said yoga has the unique ability to bring people together, uniting not only the nation but also acting as a catalyzing agent in opening up the path for world peace.

Addressing the nation on the occasion of the 12th International Day of Yoga celebrations at the Red Road in Kolkata, Modi underscored the need for a balanced personal lifestyle that yoga teaches, saying the ancient Indian practice holds relevance beyond personal health and wellness, with the potential to promote collective peace across societies—remarks that assume significance against the backdrop of conflicts and geopolitical tensions across the world.

"Yoga unites everyone and the whole country, and the whole world, looks connected—that is the true power of yoga," he said. Referring to Maharshi Aurobindo, who had observed that "Our entire life is yoga.. When yoga becomes part of our nature, it becomes the foundation of human unity," the PM emphasised that yoga is far more than a form of physical exercise and is relevant to people of all ages.

"In India, we know and have seen that yoga is a light in human life, a union with consciousness and energy. That is why this year's theme for International Yoga Day has been chosen as Yoga for Healthy Ageing. Even as age advances, we can remain healthy, energetic, and active—yoga shows us the way for this," he said. Invoking the teachings of Lord Krishna from the Bhagavad Gita, he highlighted the importance of balance in life through yoga.

"Balance is the foundation of yoga. Balance is also the foundation of our lives. Yet, in modern times, most people struggle with imbalance in life. Yoga teaches us the art of living in a balanced way. Yoga shows us the dos and don'ts. And when we learn to guide our body properly, health becomes our natural state," he said.

The PM said the values that yoga teaches—fostering balance, self-awareness and inner stability—can help societies navigate divisions and discord. The statements, coming at a time when many regions continue to grapple with conflicts, underscore India's longstanding emphasis on dialogue, coexistence and peaceful resolution of disputes. "Let us pledge not to restrict yoga to only one particular day or to an event; rather, make it a part of our lives and that of our families and our future generations," he added.

CJI says yoga provides escape from daily chaos

SUCHITRA KALYAN MOHANTY @ New Delhi

CHIEF Justice of India (CJI) Surya Kant on Sunday emphasised the importance of yoga at the workplace, saying it helps in dealing with high volumes of work, tight deadlines, and the constant pressure that comes with it.

Participating in the International Yoga Day event on the court premises, he said, "Beyond the official designation of this day, what we are truly celebrating is an intrinsic piece of Indian heritage. For centuries, our civilizational wisdom has emphasised that true wellness is never just about physical fitness. It is about a harmonious alignment between the mind, the body, and the spirit. Yoga is the practical vehicle for that philosophy, offering a timeless framework to find stillness in an otherwise chaotic world,"

The CJI said yoga offers a timeless framework for finding stillness in an otherwise chaotic world. He said the occasion was a wonderful opportunity to come together and practice, but the real goal is to look beyond a single morning.

J'khand Cong in damage control mode, tells allies to show unity after RS loss

MUKESH RANJAN @ Ranchi

DAYS after a blame game broke out within Jharkhand's ruling alliance over the Rajya Sabha election outcome, the Congress appeared to switch to a damage-control mode, stressing coalition unity and calling upon its allies to exercise restraint.

At a press conference in Ranchi on Saturday, attended by three ministers and 12 MLAs, the party sought to put the controversy behind. The leaders attempted to soften the sharp exchanges that followed the defeat of Congress-backed Rajya Sabha candidate Pranav Jha. Senior Congress leaders, who had earlier targeted alliance partners, underscored the importance of maintaining 'Mahagathbandhan' unity and preventing BJP from getting an opportunity to capitalise on internal rifts. "Congress is ready to drink poison, but the alliance will not break," said Finance Minister Radhakrishna Kishore.

Jharkhand Congress president Keshav Mahto Kamlesh said the allegations levelled by BJP and RJD against the party's state in-charge K Raju and its MLAs regarding the Rajya Sabha election results are baseless. "Party's top leadership is in dialogue with alliance partners, and the situation is being analysed. We expect our allies

to refrain from engaging in accusations and counter-accusations," said Kamlesh.

The party highlighted the efforts made by CM Hemant Soren in formulating the alliance's poll strategy and expressed confidence that he would conduct a review of the developments. Party leaders said the priority should be to identify factors behind the defeat rather indulge in a blame game that could undermine the alliance's unity. Leader of the Congress Legislature Party Pradeep Yadav said the Grand Alliance government will continue to function. "Congress will not withdraw from the government. BJP's plans will not succeed here," said Yadav.

Congress leaders criticised BJP, saying one Rajya Sabha victory should not be interpreted as a larger political shift in Jharkhand.

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BJP rewrites playbook with per-seat panels

BJP is rewriting its Uttarakhand poll playbook. For the first time, the party has formed separate core committees for every assembly seat—not just a state unit. These local panels will be the real gatekeepers. Each committee includes the area MP, state office-bearers, district chiefs, ex-presidents, mayors, council heads and mandal leaders. Their job: track sitting MLAs' performance, gauge public mood, and test the strength of ticket aspirants. State chief Mahendra Bhatt says the message is blunt—deliver poll promises or lose the ticket. Moreover, the unpopular incumbents are set to be dropped for stronger contenders.

Creative reuse of defunct bridges as cafeterias

State Tourism Minister Satpal Maharaj met Home Minister Amit Shah in Delhi recently and gifted him a book, 'Ambles Across Godland', published by Uttarakhand Tourism. The book highlights the state's creative reuse of defunct bridges as cafeterias. Shah appreciated the innovation. Maharaj also raised concerns over slow progress on the Banbasa Integrated Check Post (ICP) at the India-Nepal border. He flagged delays in building the approach national highway linking the ICP. In a letter to Shah, he noted only a 10-tonne bridge currently connects the construction site, hampering movement of heavy machinery and materials.

Doon airport to get new ATC building

Dehradun's Jolly Grant Airport is set for a control tower makeover. A new, modern ATC building will replace the existing one on the campus, fitted with state-of-the-art equipment to sharpen flight handling. The upgrade will boost efficiency, letting controllers manage more aircraft simultaneously. With advanced automation and surveillance systems, both airspace and runway capacity will expand. Currently, 22-24 flights operate daily, plus private jets and helicopters. Most surrounding airspace remains under Air Force control. Born as a small airstrip built by the Birlas in the 1970s, the airport evolved into a full facility by 2006-07.

RUDRAPRAYAG

Nihang Sikhs occupy roof of gurdwara

NARENDRA SETHI @ Dehradun

A standoff at a gurdwara in Nagarsu, Rudraprayag entered its second day Sunday, with Nihang Sikhs occupying the rooftop for over 24 hours. The incident has raised concerns along the Badrinath highway.

Trouble began Thursday at 3:40 pm when police received an emergency call about a dispute between gurdwara sevadars and visiting Nihang Sikhs. Gholtir outpost police reached immediately. "Both sides were counselled and the situation assessed," Rudraprayag SP Niharika Tomar said. During talks, some Nihangs moved to the roof and blocked access.

Officials said dialogue continued through Sunday. "We are in constant contact with the Nihang Sikhs to understand and resolve their issues. One has come down and is speaking with us," Tomar added. Authorities denied social media claims of a "hostage situation" or gurdwara "seizure". "No one is held captive. The gurdwara remains open. Langar, ardas and religious activities are continuing normally," Tomar stated.

DM Vishal Mishra assured that Hemkund Sahib and Char Dham yatras are "completely safe and uninterrupted."

27 patients with normal heart function implanted with pacemakers in J&K

FAYAZ WANI @ Srinagar

A cardiologist in a government hospital in South Kashmir has been found involved in serious irregularities in cardiac procedures, with a clinical audit revealing that 27 of 55 patients who received pacemakers had normal heart function and showed no medical indication for Left Bundle Branch Area Pacing (LBBAP).

According to charges framed by the Health and Medical Education (HME) Department, cardiologist Dr Syed Maqbool Ahmad Shah posted at Government Medical College Anantnag falsified medical records and claimed reimbursement for procedures that differed from those actually performed on patients. Dr Maqbool, as per the HME Deptt, booked and claimed 103 cases on the Transaction Management System (TMS) under the "Dual Chamber Pacemaker Implantation". However, a comparison of online records with entries in the Cath Lab Procedure Register allegedly revealed that many of these procedures were actually LBBAP with a design to syphon public welfare funds from the PMJAY/SEHAT scheme under a false clinical pretext.

The cardiologist was accused of violating the absolute "cashless and free" mandate of the PMJAY/SEHAT scheme and forcing patients to pay out-of-pocket expenses for procedures. The doctor was accused of performing highly advanced and invasive LBBAP procedures on patients without any clinical justification.

According to the health and medical education department, since LBBAP cases showed an alarming spike in GMC Anantnag, the State Health Agency (SHA) referred the data to the HoD of Cardiology at SKIMS, Soura, for an expert review.

The government has ordered an inquiry into the alleged pacemaker scam and suspended Dr Syed Maqbool with immediate effect.

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Will replicate Bengal type of election win in Punjab: Nabin

HARPREET BAJWA @ Chandigarh

BJP national president Nitin Nabin on Sunday expressed confidence that his party will form the next government in Punjab and replicate its electoral success in other states, including West Bengal.

During his three-day visit to the state, Nabin is all set to meet decorated agriculture economist SS Johl at his residence in Ludhiana on Monday.

His visit is being viewed as part of the BJP's broader strategy to expand its political footprint in Punjab. Speaking to media at Jalandhar, Nabin said, "Just as the BJP achieved victory in Bengal, we will fight hard in Punjab and make the lotus bloom here too."

On Saturday, the BJP leader led a massive road show in Jalandhar, accompanied by senior party leader and Rajya Sabha MP Tarun Chugh.

Addressing a gathering after participating in the International Yoga Day celebrations at Lovely Professional University (LPU), Phagwara, Nabin said, "The BJP will not allow Punjab to be hollowed out. The poison of drugs must be eliminated at all costs," he said.

In Ludhiana, while briefly interacting with the media, Nabin said that people across the state were showing enthusiasm for the BJP and extending strong support to the party. He said the party was committed to contributing to Punjab's development and strengthening its presence across the region.

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Nitin Nabin, BJP national president

Union Minister of State for Railways, Ravneet Singh Bittu, claimed that the people had made up their minds to bring the BJP to power in the state.

Also, BJP Punjab president Kewal Singh Dhillon said, "With the support and love of the people, we will form the government in the state."

Meanwhile, sources said that Nabin will meet agriculture economist Padma Bhushan SS Johl at his Gurdev Nagar residence in Ludhiana on Monday and discuss with him the way forward for agricultural and economic revival in the state.

Thus, the visit will mark an important chapter in the BJP's engagement with the raging agrarian crisis in Punjab.

Johl, a former National Professor of Agricultural Economics of the Indian Council of Agricultural Research and former VC of Punjabi University Patiala and Punjab Agricultural University Ludhiana, who has also chaired the Commission for Agricultural Costs and Prices, has been arguing strongly that the government should procure crops other than wheat and paddy at MSP.

C'garh cops support education of slum students

EJAZ KAISER @ Raipur

SHIFTING from traditional law enforcement to proactive community building, the initiative "Pahal" by the Rajnandgaon Police in Chhattisgarh is gaining recognition for its aim at long-term social transformation, education and youth empowerment.

Spearheaded by the Rajnandgaon district police chief Ankita Sharma, IPS, the comprehensive programme engages overwhelming community backing, including Kotwars (village watchmen), villagers, ambitious students, Yatayat Mitras (traffic volunteers) and Good Samaritans.

At the heart of "Pahal" is a profound understanding of the struggles faced by students living in slum settlements, Atal Awas colonies, and economically disadvantaged neighbourhoods. For many of these bright minds, preparing for gruelling competitive exams like NEET, JEE, PSC, Vyapam, or police recruitment is an uphill battle fought in overcrowded, one-room homes. Often, their academic dreams are stifled by harsh realities like domestic conflict and substance abuse.

Barracks for forces turned into spaces for study

The Rajnandgaon Police in Chhattisgarh has repurposed local barracks—originally used by the security forces' District Reserve Force (DRF) before Chhattisgarh became Left-Wing Extremism (LWE) free—into state-of-the-art "Pahal Reading Rooms". These spaces now serve as quiet, dignified, and safe sanctuaries for focused study.

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"The response demonstrates that even in areas facing social and crime-related challenges, young people possess remarkable aspirations and a desire to build a better future," said Ankita Sharma, the district SP. By offering alternative icons of success rooted in education and public service, the police aim to nurture these young minds into future leaders.

The move also bridges environmental sustainability with public safety through the "Crime-Free Village" campaign. To celebrate community vigilance and social harmony, living trees are being planted at the Police Lines and various police stations in honour of 164 villages that successfully maintained a completely crime-free record through 2024, 2025, and 2026. Among the everyday heroes, cited as guardians of the 'Golden Hour', is the critical network—petrol pump operators, e-rickshaw drivers, dhaba owners, mechanics, and street vendors—who are invariably the first witnesses to highway accidents. The platform formally recognised 111 Good Samaritans the district SP said.

School headmaster develops 22-string modified guitar for classical music need

PRASANTA MAZUMDAR @ Guwahati

THE warm and mellow resonance produced by gourd-based instruments is integral to Indian classical music, said well-known Tripura instrumentalist Pankaj Kumar Das. After a 25-year effort, he developed a modified guitar, Padma Veena, with gourd resonance, the first such guitar variant in the world.

"Unlike the guitar that we borrowed from the Western world, veena, ektara, tanpura, etc., are not made of plywood. They derive their tonal quality from gourd resonators," Das, an MSc in physics and assistant headmaster of a government higher secondary school, told this newspaper.

He designed his acoustic slide guitar, the Padma Veena, specifically for Indian classical music, featuring 22 strings, compared to six found in a guitar. He lamented that Padma Veena had not yet received the recognition it deserved.

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Pankaj Kumar Das, instrumentalist

In addition to wood, Das used a gourd in creating Padma Veena to have the gourd resonance. According to him, gourd resonance is much richer than plywood resonance. He improved the guitar's acoustics to integrate features of traditional Indian instruments such as veena, sitar, and sarod, with a focus on enhancing the sonometer component of the guitar to unlock its potential for playing Indian classical music. He added a gourd to the main body and made some changes in the lap steel acoustic guitar to blend traditional and modern musical elements. The gourd is dried up and processed rigorously before it is used in place of the plywood sonometer.

"Using a gourd is cost-effective when compared with a plywood sonometer," said Das, adding, "In classical music, many believe that the sarangi can go closest to the human singing voice. When I started playing the guitar in the early 1980s, I wondered why not the guitar too?"

US-Iran talks begin as Lebanon crisis clouds truce

Trump warns Tehran over Hezbollah even as negotiators seek lasting deal; Iran says 'be careful', forces ready to respond

Israelis see Iran as winner after war, US deal: Poll

A survey showed sharp decline in confidence in PM Benjamin Netanyahu and broad opposition to the US-Iran agreement

92.1% said Iran emerged stronger or gained more from the conflict

82.9% felt Israel's long-term security had been weakened

93.1% of right-wing bloc voters also believed Iran had gained more

63.2% opposed the US-Iran deal, while only 12.1% supported it

72.5% said they did not believe Netanyahu's claims about the campaign's achievements

56.4% rated his handling of the war as "failed" or "poor"

SUPPORT FOR NETANYAHU AS PRIME MINISTER FELL FROM **40.5%** IN MARCH TO **29.4%** IN JUNE

48.2% backed renewed major military action against Hezbollah in Lebanon even at the risk of friction with Washington

21% opposed a fresh offensive against Hezbollah

Poll conducted among 3,644 respondents between June 17 and 20 by the Hebrew University of Jerusalem and the Agam Institute

BURGENSTOCK

THE United States and Iran on Sunday held talks in Switzerland after signing a preliminary agreement to end their war, even as the conflict in Lebanon was threatening to derail the deal. The negotiations to end a war that sowed chaos across West Asia and rattled the global economy are meant to trigger a 60-day period to settle broader issues that have dogged US-Iranian relations for decades, from Iran's nuclear programme to crippling sanctions.

But tensions remained high, with US President Donald Trump threatening to strike Iran if it did not stop Hezbollah from "causing trouble". This prompted Iran's chief negotiator Mohammad Bagher Ghalibaf to warn Washington to "be careful". Ghalibaf said Iran's armed forces were ready to respond "in a different manner".

Pakistan's Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif greets US Vice President JD Vance prior to a quadrilateral meeting between at the Burgenstock luxury hotel complex overlooking Lake Lucerne, Switzerland | AFP

Talks on permanent accord

American and Iranian representatives gathered alongside delegations from mediators Pakistan and Qatar at the luxury Swiss resort of Burgenstock perched high above Lake Lucerne, with Doha confirming in the afternoon that the four-way talks had begun. "It is not possible to enter the negotiation phase for a final agreement," foreign ministry spokesman Esmaeil Baqaei wrote on X, unless there was an end to the war in Lebanon.

WAR WATCH

Trump warns over Hezbollah

Donald Trump on Sunday threatened to strike Iran if it did not stop Hezbollah from "causing trouble", as peace talks between senior US and Iranian officials began in Switzerland. An MoU signed earlier this month extended the truce in the war sparked by US-Israeli strikes on Iran and included a ceasefire between Israel and Hezbollah.

No nuclear talks

Iranian state media said no discussions on Tehran's nuclear programme took place during the 80-minute first round of talks, which instead focused on implementing the memorandum of understanding between Tehran and Washington and the situation in Lebanon. The broadcaster said it was unclear whether the negotiations would continue or be suspended.

Vance seeks Iran reset

US Vice President JD Vance said he hopes Washington and Tehran can reset their relationship, at the start of what he called "historic" talks. *AFP*

Israeli strikes in Lebanon kill seven, says health ministry

BEIRUT: Lebanon's health ministry said late on Saturday that fresh Israeli strikes in the south and east of the country had killed seven people. Five people, including a woman and child, were killed in the east of the country and two Palestinians were killed in the southern Tyr region, said the ministry. These latest strikes came before a pause noted by an AFP correspondent, when the Israeli army said it had received orders from the country's political leadership to halt fighting in southern Lebanon.

A bulldozer removes the rubble from the main market place destroyed by the Israeli military in the southern city of Nabatieh | AFP

Regional powers urge progress in US-Iran talks

CAIRO: Envoys from Pakistan, Turkey, Saudi Arabia and Egypt on Sunday urged swift progress in US-Iran talks in Switzerland, the first since the two sides signed a preliminary accord to end their war. In a joint statement after meeting in Cairo, the ministers called for a "lasting, verifiable and mutually acceptable" deal addressing outstanding issues, while taking into account regional concerns, especially Gulf security. The talks are expected to open a 60-day process to address disputes over Iran's nuclear programme and sanctions.

11 killed in fresh Gaza strikes despite ceasefire

GAZA CITY: Israeli strikes killed at least 11 people in Gaza on Saturday, including four members of the same family, despite a ceasefire marred by near-daily accusations of violations. Gaza health officials said three others, including an Al Jazeera cameraman, were killed in a strike on the Bureij refugee camp. Israel described the journalist as a "Hamas terrorist". More than 1,000 Palestinians have been killed since the ceasefire took effect last October, according to Gaza authorities and the United Nations.

Iran puts Lebanon conflict atop US talks agenda

TEHRAN

IRAN said on Sunday that the ongoing conflict in Lebanon between Israel and militant group Hezbollah will top the agenda in talks with the United States in Switzerland, as well as issues such as frozen Iranian funds and the sale of the country's oil. "The Zionist regime continues to violate its commitment in Lebanon, this issue will be the main topic of discussion in today's talks," foreign ministry spokesman Esmaeil Baqaei said in a video shared by IRNA state news agency.

Tehran said on Thursday it had signed a deal with Washington to end months of hostilities that began on February 28 following US-Israeli attacks on Iran. Under the agreement, the Israel-Hezbollah conflict in Lebanon was also due to stop.

Iran's military announced on Saturday that it has closed the Strait of Hormuz again over ongoing Israeli attacks in Lebanon. But there were no reports of fresh strikes in Lebanon after Saturday evening and Baqaei said that since Saturday "a fragile cessation (in Lebanon) has been established".

Baqaei said Iran and the US would meet with mediators Pakistan and Qatar at Burgenstock on Sunday. "This meeting will be in the form of separate meetings with the mediators in the morning and a quadrilateral meeting in the afternoon, meaning that the delegations of all four countries will be present in the same room," he said from Switzerland. *AFP*

STARMER UNDER SIEGE AS BURNHAM GAINS MOMENTUM

LONDON

UK Prime Minister Keir Starmer is facing a career-defining decision: step down or fight a possible challenge from Labour Party rival Andy Burnham. Starmer has publicly vowed to stay in office, but pressure is building as more and more Labour Party colleagues conclude that his time is up. Expectation is growing that he will announce a timetable for his resignation as soon as Monday. That's the day Burnham will be sworn in as a lawmaker in the House of Commons after winning a special election last week.

Business Secretary Peter Kyle said Sunday that Starmer is "making time to reflect on the political realities, challenges and opportunities that he finds himself in."

"I know he is a prime minister who always puts his country first," Kyle told the BBC, though he said that reports that Starmer will resign are "speculation." Starmer is spending the weekend at Chequers, the country mansion used by prime ministers, with his family. He gave no public hint about his decision, but sent a Father's Day message on social media. "Being a dad is my greatest joy. Today, I'm thinking about my dad, and the father I am to my children because of him," he wrote on X. Donald Trump weighed in even before an announcement, linking Starmer's potential exit to two of his recurring bugbears: immigration and renewable energy. "Keir Starmer will resign as Prime Minister of The United Kingdom. He failed badly on two very important subjects- immigration and energy (open North Sea oil!). I wish him well! President DJT," Trump posted on his Truth Social network. *AP*

TRUMP BLAMES VANDALS AS REFLECTING POOL REVAMP FALTERS

WASHINGTON: Donald Trump said on Saturday "terrible vandals" had sabotaged his renovation project of the Reflecting Pool in Washington, which will have to be revamped again, as it was blighted with algae and peeling paint. Trump has championed a makeover for the 610-meter-long pool, bringing in contractors to drain it and paint it "American flag blue." But not long after the job was complete, the paint began to visibly peel, and the gleaming waters promptly refilled with green pond scum. As workers scrambled to pump out murky water and dumped hydrogen peroxide into the pool, Trump took no responsibility for what many observers chalked up to shoddy workmanship. "We met with contractors today, will probably be forced to release and drain much of the water in order to do the necessary repairs, but will have them done as quickly as possible," Trump wrote on Truth Social. It's unclear how much that may add to the $14 million cost reported by US media thus far. AP

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that, my client, **Smt Babita Nagori** W/o.Champalal Nagori residing at No.# 3, Sukoon, Surveyor Street, Gandhi Bazar, Basavanagudi, Bangalore-560004, has LOST THE ORIGINAL SALE DEED REGISTERED AS DOCUMENT NO.3256 87/88 and Original GPA Document No. GPA 1779 LOST AT BANGALORE ON 21.06.2026, BETWEEN 11:21AM TO 12:00AM. A COMPLAINT IS LODGED IN ONLINE DATED 21.06.2026 VIDE LOST REPORT BEARING NO.2266152/2026, Finders may return the same to the near Police Station or contact at the below address.

if any persons, firm, company, Financial institution or organization has any claim are holding the afore mentioned document, they may contact the below mentioned address in writing within **7 days** from the date of this notice failing which it will be presumed that there are no claims.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the immovable of residential property bearing **SITE No.97, Old Katha No.83/4, previous House List No.83/4/97,** previously Jurisdiction of Bommanahalli City Municipality Committee Area and presently comes under Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike **Ward No.193/Arakere, and its Old BBMP PID Katha No.83/4/97,** previous Property Katha No.1604/83/4/97, and present **E-PID No.7804610380, Property No.1604/83/4/97,** Situated at **HULIMAVU VILLAGE, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk,** an measuring **East to West 50 feet or 15.2 meters and North to South 30 feet or 9.1 meters,** in all measuring **1500 Square feet or 139.4 meters,** vacant area, with all right of easements appurtenances either latent patent attached to the schedule property and bounded as follows:

And bounded on:
East by : ROAD,
West by : Property bearing Site No.90,
North by : Property bearing Site No.98,
South by : Property bearing Site No.96

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IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA AT BENGALURU
Notice to the Respondent No.1, 2, 4 & 5
Vide order dated : 09.06.2026
R.F.A.No. 1299/2022

Smt. N N Uma. ...Appellant
(By Sriyuths : Nisar Sab Adv., for appellant)
V/s
Kumari Kavitha and others
...Respondents
(By Sriyuths : Nagaraj B Adv., for R3)

To: Respondent No.1,2,4 & 5:

1. KUMARI KAVITHA, D/O LATE R SAMBAMURTHY
2. KUMARI KAVYA, D/O LATE R SAMBAMURTHY BOTH ARE R/AT NO.27, BOWEE LANE 2ND STREET, ASHOKANAGAR-560025.
4. SHABANA AZMATH, W/O MAR AZMATHULLA KHAN
5. AZMATHULLA KHAN, S/O LATE BASHEER KHAN R4 & R5 ARE R/AT NO.4, L.NO. 7TH STREET, ASHOKA NAGAR, RICHMOND ROAD CROSS, BENGALURU-560025.

Appeal from the Judgment & decree passed on 17.11.2021 in O.S Number 16961/2005 on the file of the LVII ADDL. CITY CIVIL AND SESSIONS JUDGE, BENGALURU.

Notice is hereby given to you to appear in this court either in person or through Counsel duly instructed or through some one authorized by law, to act for you in the above appeal on **09.07.2026** in case you intend to contest the appeal. If you fail to appear, the same will be dealt with, heard and decided in your absence. Issued under my hand and the seal of this court, this the 18TH DAY OF JUNE 2026.

BY ORDER OF THE COURT
Sd/- ASSISTANT REGISTRAR

IN THE COURT OF THE IX ADDL. CITY CIVIL AND SESSION JUDGE AT BENGALURU
O.S. NO. 5337/2025

BETWEEN: Mr. Mohammed Sajjad Sait, aged about 65 years, S/o. Late J. Abdul Rehman R/at: No. 287, 12th A Cross, Govindapura Main Road, Ummar Nagar, Bengaluru- 560045. Also R/at No. 798, 10th Main, 3rd Stage, Pillanagarden, Bengaluru - 560045 **...Plaintiffs**

AND: Smt. Radhamma and others **...Defendants**

SUMMONS TO THE FOLLOWING DEFENDANTS NO. 1, 3, 4, 5, AND 6

1. Smt. Radhamma, aged about 68 years, D/o of Late Smt. Puttamma And Guruswami Wife of Siddappa, R/at. No. 9/1, 2nd stage, 5th cross, Chinnayanpalya, Wilson garden, Bangalore- 560 030. **3. Smt. Thara,** W/o. Shrinivas, aged about 62 years, D/o. of Late Smt. Puttamma, R/at. No.16, Shrinivasa Nilaya, 13th Main Road, Lakkasandra layout, Bangalore- 560 030. **4. Smt. Suguna,** W/o. Shri. Vijay Kumar, aged about 60 Years, D/o Late Smt. Puttamma, R/at. No. 16, Shrinivasa Nilaya, 13th Main Road, Lakkasandra layout, Bangalore- 560 030. **5. Smt. A.B. Pankaja,** W/o. late Praveen Kumar, aged about 58 Years, D/o Smt. Late. Puttamma, And Guruswamy R/at. No. 414, 13th Main, Lakkasandra layout, Bangalore-560 030. **6. Smt. Riyana @ Rihana,** W/o Syed Akbar, aged about 54 Years, R/at. No. 30, Govindapura main road, Arabic college post, Bangalore- 560 045.

Whereas the Plaintiffs above named has filed a suit for Declaration and Permanent Injunction against Defendants, You are hereby Summoned/Notice to open in this court in person or by a pleader duly instructed and able to answer all material questions relating to the said suit, or who shall be accompanied by some person able to answer such the questions on **22-07-2026** at **11:00 A.M.** and you are directed to produce all documents on that day upon which you intend to replay in support of your defense take notice that in default of you appearance on the day suit will be heard and determined in your absence.

SCHEDULE

All that peace and parcel of the residential property site bearing No. 9 (consisting of site no. 17, 18, 21 30, 31, 32) old Khata No. 287 formed in survey no.26/3B situated at Nagawara village, Kasaba hobli, Bengaluru measuring East to West 80 feet North to south 50 feet Total measuring 4000 sq.ft. consisting of built of area of 1300 sq. ft. of sheet house Godown measuring 2000 sq. ft. coming under this jurisdiction of BBMP Ward No. 23 presently having no. 287, 12th A, Cross, Govindapura main road, Ummar Nagar, Arabic college post, Bengaluru 560045. Bounded on the: **East by:** Private property, **West by:** Private property, **North by:** Private property, **South by:** Road and remaining portion of same property

Given under my hand and seal of the Court on this 11/06/2026

By order of the Court, Senior Sheristedar, City Civil Court, Bengaluru

Advocate for Plaintiff:
Mohammed Rafi S.A.
SRA LAW ASSOCIATES
Bengaluru

IN THE COURT OF 10th ADDL. DISTRICT AND SESSIONS JUDGE COMMERCIAL COURT AT BENGALURU.

3rd Floor, Telephone House, Rajbhavan Road, Bengaluru-01
Com. O.S. No. 161/2026 (I.A. No.2)
BETWEEN: HB Shivaprasad ...Plaintiff
AND
M/S. SPARSH FOODS PRIVATE, LTD..
Rep by, Shivakumariah N. (DIRECTOR)
...Defendant

NOTICE/SUMMONS FOR SERVICE BY ADVERTISEMENT IN THE NEWS PAPER UNDER ORDER 5 RULE 20 (1A) READ WITH SECTION 151 OF THE CIVIL PROCEDURE CODE AGAINST THE DEFENDANT

To,
M/s. SPARSH FOODS INDIA PVT. LTD,.
Rep., by its Director, Shivakumariah. N. S/o, Late. Nanjappa, Aged about 64 Years, having its office at. # No.113/1, Binnamangala Village, Arishinakunte Post, NH-4 Nelmangala Taluk, Bengaluru, Rural, Bengaluru -562 123.

Whereas, the above named plaintiff has filed the above suit in Com. O.S. No.161/2026, against the defendant for ejection/possession from below mentioned suit schedule property, before the Court of 10th Addl. District and Sessions Judge Commercial Court at Bengaluru.

You are hereby summoned and directed to appear before the Court of 10th Addl. District and Sessions Judge (Commercial Court) at Bengaluru in person or through a duly instructed Advocate on 09 day of July 2026 at 11 AM to file your written statement/objections and able to answer all material questions relating to the suit, take notice that if you fail to appear before this Court on the aforementioned date, the matter shall be heard and decided ex-parte (in your absence).

SCHEDULE OF PROPERTY

The land bearing Sy.No.100(Old), New No.100/2 industrially converted, measuring 4 Acres, 35 Guntas of land situated at Hyadalu Village, Kasaba Hobli, Nelamangala Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District, bounded by, as follows,
East by: land Doddahanumathaiah
West by: land bearing Sy. No.99/2
North by: Road
South by: Land belonging to Huchaiah
Given ander my hand and the seal of the Court on this. Day of June 2026

By order of the Court,
Senior Sher stedar,
Commercial Court, Bengaluru (R) Dist,
3rd Floor, Telephone House,
Raj Bhavan Road, Bengaluru-01

By Order of the Court
Senior Sheristedare
Commercial Court, Bengaluru (R) Dist
III Floor, Telephone House,
Raj Bhavan Road, Bengaluru-01

POSSESSION NOTICE

Whereas, **Jana Small Finance Bank** under the provisions of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (54 of 2002) ("said Act") and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (12) of the said Act read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 ("said Rules") issued a **demand notice dated 15.04.2025** calling upon the borrower **1) Mr. Mani Kanta, 2) Mr. Shriramulu, 3) Mrs. Parvathamma C, against LAN No. 32509630000652** the guarantors and the mortgagors to repay the amount, details of which are mentioned in the table below:

And whereas subsequently, **Jana Small Finance Bank** has vide Assignment Agreement dated 30-06-2025 assigned all its rights, title, interest and benefits in respect of the debts due and payable by the borrower/ co-borrower(s)/ mortgagor(s) arising out of the facilities advanced by **Jana Small Finance Bank** to borrower/ co-borrower(s)/ mortgagor(s) along with the underlying securities to **Asset Reconstruction Company (India) Limited acting in its capacity as Trustee of Arcil-Trust-2026-005 ('Arcil')** for the benefit of the holders of Security Receipts. Therefore, in view of the said assignment, **Arcil** now stands substituted in the place of **Jana Small Finance Bank** and **Arcil** shall be entitled to institute/ continue all and any proceedings against the borrower/ guarantor(s)/ mortgagor(s) and to enforce the rights and benefits under the financial documents including the enforcement of guarantee and security interest executed and created by the borrower/ guarantor(s)/ mortgagor(s) for the financial facilities availed by them.

The borrower/ guarantor(s)/ mortgagor(s) having failed to repay the said amounts, notice is hereby given to the borrower/ guarantor(s)/ mortgagor(s) in particular and the public in general that the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of Arcil has taken possession of the underlying Immovable Property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Sub-Section (4) of Section 13 of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said Rules on **"AS IS WHERE IS & WHATEVER THERE IS BASIS"** on the date mentioned below.

Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Mortgagor/ Guarantor Name	Demand Notice	Possession Date
Borrower/ Applicant: 1) Mr. Mani Kanta (Borrower), 2) Mr. Shriramulu (Co-Borrower & Mortgagor), 3) Mrs. Parvathamma C (Co-Borrower & Mortgagor)	**Rs.4,69,798.78** (Rupees Four Lakh Sixty Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Ninety Eight and Seventy Eight Paisa Only) **due as on 11-04-2025 Notice dated: 15.04.2025**	**16.06.2026**

Description of Property: Property Details: All thepiece and parcel of the property bearing Site No.109, Khatha No.109/109, Old No.67, PID No.150200102200500085, situated at Doddatimmasandra Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Urban District. Presently comes under the limits of Mugaluru Village Panchayath and **Bounded by the: East by:** House of Rangamma, **West by:** Panchayath Road, **North by:** Government Road, **South by:** House of V A Gurappa. Measuring East to West: 6.71 Mtrs and North to South: 6.71 Mtrs, in all measuring 45.02 Sq.mtrs.

The borrower/guarantor(s)/mortgagor(s) in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned that **Arcil** is in **lawful possession** of the Immovable Property mentioned above and under Section 13(13) of the SARFAESI Act, 2002, the borrower/ guarantor(s)/ mortgagor(s) or any person whatsoever, shall after receipt of this notice not transfer by way of sale, lease or otherwise deal with/ alienate the Immovable Property, without prior written consent of **Arcil** and any dealings with the Immovable Property will be subject to the charge of **Arcil** for the amount as mentioned above along with future interest at the contractual rate on the aforesaid amount together with incidental expenses, cost, charges etc.

The borrowers'/ guarantors'/ mortgagors' attention is invited to the provisions of the Sub-Section (8) of Section 13 of the said Act, in respect of time available to redeem the above mentioned Immovable Property.

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Place: Bangalore Rual **Asset Reconstruction Company (India) Limited**
Date: 20.06.2026 **Trustee of Arcil-Trust-2026-005 ("Arcil")**

ASSET RECONSTRUCTION COMPANY (INDIA) LTD.
Registered Office: The Ruby, 10th Floor, 29 Senapati Bapat Marg, Dadar (W), Mumbai-400028.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform General Public that my client **Sri. PRASAD G,** (Phone No. 9986937115 / 9986598666) (Purchaser) has entered into Agreement of Sale with **Sri. ANTHONYRAJ A,** S/o Late Arulappa, (Vendor) in respect of the Schedule Property mentioned below.

Any person/s having any right, title, interest, lieu, charge or claim whatsoever in upon or to the schedule property or to any portion thereof, by way of any easement or under agreements, arrangements, lease, trust, inheritance, gift, partition, bequeath, possession, mortgage, exchange or under any deed/instrument easement or however otherwise, may submit his/her/its their objection/claims, in writing to me at the under mentioned address, through registered post, along with the supporting documentary evidence, **within Seven days** of the issuance of this notice, failing which my client will proceed on the basis that there are no claims over the schedule property.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing Khatha No. 89/2, New Khatha No. 114/A, Property No. 111, New Property No. 7365/89/2/114/A/111, BBMP e-PID No. 1098207812, situated at **MESTHRIPALYA, RACHENAHALLI Village, Krishnarajapura Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore,** now within the administrative jurisdiction of **Bengaluru North City Corporation/GBA, Ward No. 6, Thanisandra Ward, measuring East to West 56 ft, North to South 27 ft in total measuring 1512 sq ft,** and bounded on:

East by: House belongs to Byrathi Anthappa;
West by: Government Road;
North by: House belongs to Sri. Francis;
South by: House belongs to Sri. Rajappa.

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Possession Notice (For Immovable Property) Rule 8-(1)

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of IIFL Home Finance Limited (Formerly known as India Infoline Housing Finance Ltd.) (IIFL-H FL) under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) mad with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, a Demand Notice was issued by the Authorised Officer of the company to the Borrower/Co-Borrowers mentioned herein below to repay the amount notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has **taken possession** of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under Section 13(4) of the said Rules. The borrower in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of **IIFL HFL** for an amount as mentioned herCein under with interest thereon. The borrowers attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, If the borrower dears the dues of the **"IIFL HFL"** together with all costs. charges and expenses incurred, at any time before the date fixed for sale or transfer, the secured assets shall not be sold or transferred by **"IIFL HFL"** and no further step shall be taken by **"IIFL HFL"** for transfer or sale of the secured assets.

Name of the Borrower(s)/ Co-Borrower(s)	Description of the Secured Asset (Immovable Property)	Total Outstanding Dues (Rs.)	Date of Demand Notice	Date of Possession
Mr. Venkataramanappa Madesh Mrs. Kavya **(Prospect No IL10371307)**	All that piece and parcel of No. 118, Old No. 113/b, Dodda Timmasandra Village, Sarjapura, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District, Kamataka-562125 Area Admeasuring (in Sq. Ft.): Property Type: Land_area, carpet_area Property Area: 782638 Bounded By: North: Property of Narayanaswamy South: Portion of Narayanaswamy East: Property of Suresh West: Property Of Nagappa	**Rs.433683/-** Rupees Four Lakh Thirty Three Thousand Six Hundred Eighty Three Only	**28-10-2025**	**18-06-2026**

For, further details please contact to Authorised Officer at **Branch Office :** "ADAM CHAMBERS," #11, Richmond Road, Bengaluru - 560025. **or Corporate Office :** IIFL Tower, Plot No. 98, Udyog Vihar, Ph-IV Gurgaon, Haryana.

PLACE : BANGALORE **Sd/-, Authorised Officer,**
DATE : 22.06.2026 **For IIFL Home Finance Limited**

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JANA SMALL FINANCE BANK (A Scheduled Commercial Bank) | **Registered Office: The Fairway, Ground & First Floor, Survey No.10/1, 11/2 &12/2B, Off Domlur, Koramangala Inner Ring Road, Next to EGL Business Park, Challaghatta, Bangalore-560071.**

E-AUCTION NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE FOR SALE THROUGH E-AUCTION UNDER THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT (SARFAESI ACT) 2002, READ WITH PROVISO RULE 8(6) & 9 OF SECURITY INTEREST (ENFORCEMENT) RULES 2002.

The undersigned as authorised officer of **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited** has **taken possession** of the following property in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(4) of the SARFAESI ACT. The Borrower in particular and public at large are informed that online auction (e-auction)of the mortgage property in the below mentioned account for realisation of dues of the Bank will be held on **"AS IS WHERE IS BASIS "** and **"AS IS WHAT IS BASIS"** on the date as prescribed as here under.

Sr. No.	Loan Account Number	Name of Original Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Guarantor	Date of 13-2 Notice	Date of Possession	Present Outstanding balance as on 18.06.2026	Date & Time of Inspection of the property	Reserve Price in INR	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) in INR	Date and Time of E-Auction	Last Date Time & Place for submission of Bid
1	47049630000922	1) Mr. Shivaswamy L, 2) Mrs. Raj Rajeshwari C N	21.08.2025	02.04.2026	**Rs.5,96,121.41** (Rupees Five Lakh Ninety Six Thousand One Hundred Twenty One and Forty One Paisa Only)	**03.07.2026 Time: 09:30 AM to 05:00 PM**	**Rs.6,32,000/-** (Rupees Six Lakh Thirty Two Thousand Only)	**Rs.63,200/-** (Rupees Sixty Three Thousand Two Hundred Only)	**10.07.2026 @ 02:00 PM**	**09.07.2026, Till 5.00 PM Jana Small Finance Bank Ltd., The Fairway, Ground & First Floor, Survey No.10/1, 11/2 & 12/2B, Off Domlur, Koramangla Inner Ring Road, Next to EGL Business Park, Challaghatta, Bangalore-560071**

Details of Secured Assets: All that the piece and parcel of the property No.152900204001020169 Khaneshwari No.210/198/1, measuring East to West 6.096 mtrs and North to South 23.7744 mtrs, situated at Honniganahalli Village, Honniganahalli Grama Panchayath, Kanakapura Block, Ramanaraga District and **Bounded on: East by:** Road, **West by:** House belongs to Siddaiaha, **North by:** House belongs to Lingappa, **South by:** Colony Road.

The properties are being held on **"AS IS WHERE IS BASIS" & "AS IS WHAT IS BASIS"** and the E-Auction will be conducted **'On Line'.** The auction will be conducted through the Bank's approved service provider **M/s. Auctionbazaar.com** at the web portal **contact@auctionbazaar.com, support@auctionbazaar.com, eauctions@auctionbazaar.com.** For more information and For details, help, procedure and online training on e-auction, prospective bidders may contact **M/s. Auctionbazaar.com**; **Contact Auctionbazaar Contact Number: 91 8370969696/ +91 7997043999. Email id: contact@auctionbazaar.com, support@auctionbazaar.com.** For further details on terms and conditions to take part in e-auction proceedings and any for any query relating to property please contact **Jana Small Finance Bank authorized officers Mr. Umesh (Mob. No.8050149617), Mr. Kaushik B (Mob. No.7019949040) & Mr. Ranjan Naik (Mob. No.6362952653).** To the best of knowledge and information of the Authorised Officer, there are no encumbrances on the properties. However the intending bidders should make their own independent inquiries regarding the encumbrances, title of property put on prior to submitting their bid. No conditional bid will be accepted. This is also a notice to the above named Borrowers/ Guarantor's/ Mortgagors about e-auction scheduled for the mortgaged properties. The Borrower/ Guarantor/ Mortgagor are hereby notified to pay the sum as mentioned above along with up to date interest and ancillary expenses before the date of auction, failing which the property will be sold and balance dues if any will be recovered with interest and cost.

Date: 20.06.2026, Place: Bangalore Rural **Sd/- Authorized Officer, Jana Small Finance Bank Limited**

47% increase in India's smartphone exports to the United States in April 2026, led by American smartphone giant Apple

Major capital gains tax relief for homebuyers

ITAT clarifies if possession is delayed due to dispute or delay on builder's part, tax exemption can't be denied

PUSHPITA DEY @ New Delhi

A recent ruling by the Mumbai bench of the Income Tax Appellate Tribunal has come as a major relief for taxpayers who invest their capital gains in a house but face delays in getting possession.

The tribunal held that a taxpayer can't be denied tax exemption under Section 54F of the I-T Act because possession of the residential property was delayed due to reasons beyond their control, provided the investment was made within the prescribed timelines. The ruling is relevant for homebuyers who have sold assets like shares and invested the proceeds in a residential property to save capital gains tax.

What Section 54F provide?

Under Section 54F, taxpayers who earn long-term capital gains from selling assets other than a residential house can claim tax exemption by investing sale proceeds in a residential property. The investment must be made within two years for purchasing a ready home or within three years for constructing one.

The ITAT has clarified if possession is delayed due to a dispute or delay on builder's part, the exemption should not be denied because the taxpayer didn't physically occupy the property within stipulated period.

"If a taxpayer has made a bona fide investment, acquired identifiable rights in the property and the delay in possession is beyond the taxpayer's control, exemption should not be denied merely on a technical possession test," said Riaz Thingna, Partner-Tax, Grant Thornton Bharat.

What documents should homebuyers preserve?

Tax experts caution that while the ruling favours genuine taxpayers, they should maintain a robust paper trail to establish that the delay was attributable to the developer. Documents that should be retained include:

- Allotment letter and builder-buyer agreement.
- Proof of payments such as bank statements, cheques and receipts.
- Construction-linked demand letters and invoices.
- Registered sale deed, wherever applicable.
- Email, SMS or other communication with the builder regarding delayed possession.
- Photographs showing construction progress.
- Project status reports, RERA registration details, complaints filed with RERA, legal notices or regulatory orders, if any.

"The communication trail with the builder, including emails and messages, can help establish that the delay was beyond the buyer's control," said Nitin Mohan Kashyap, director, Coopers Tax Consulting.

Capital gains account scheme

The tribunal clarified another important issue involving capital gains account scheme (CGAS). If taxpayers park their capital gains in a CGAS account while awaiting investment, the amount can't be taxed in the year the capital gains arise because it remains unutilised. Under Section 54F(4), any tax consequence would arise only after the expiry of the prescribed 3-year period if the funds remain unutilised.

As per Dipesh Jain, Partner, Tax Practice, Economic Laws Practice (ELP), the ITAT has treated the CGAS as a procedural safeguard rather than a rigid condition where the taxpayer has already invested the capital gains in a residential property within the statutory timelines.

However, experts warn that taxpayers who neither invest the money within the stipulated period nor deposit it in a CGAS account risk losing the exemption.

IN CONVERSATION

GIRISH TANTI
Executive Vice Chairman, Suzlon Group

'India has potential to become wind turbine manufacturing hub'

AT the Global Wind Day Conference in Goa recently, Suzlon announced the launch of its first 5 MW wind turbine following its successful commissioning at Vijayanagar, Karnataka. **Girish Tanti**, Executive Vice Chairman of Suzlon Group, spoke to **Rakesh Kumar** of *TNIE* on how its new offering would help unlock new wind energy opportunities while supporting the country's clean energy transition. **Edited Excerpts**:

You have said India's target of achieving 100 GW of wind energy capacity is achievable. With the country having crossed 56 GW of installed capacity, what gives you confidence that the target can be met?
India is currently at about 56 GW of installed wind capacity. To reach the 100 GW target, we need to add another 44 GW. We expect to install about 8 GW this year. If installations continue to grow steadily—say 9 GW next year and 10 GW year after—the target is certainly achievable. I can't say with certainty, but I am optimistic. Based on projects under execution and the bids that have been awarded, we have visibility for 85 GW of capacity. That gives us confidence that reaching 100 GW is feasible and realistic.

Suzlon has unveiled S175 (5 MW) wind turbine. What sets this platform apart from other turbines?
The S175 is a unique turbine platform and incorporates advanced technologies. It is India's first FDRE-ready (Firm and Dispatchable Renewable Energy) wind turbine. Until now, solar and wind projects were developed separately. The market is moving toward integrated renewable energy solutions that combine wind, solar and energy storage. When these 3 technologies deployed together, they can provide renewable power round the clock.

We have identified several target export markets. In Asia-Pacific, we are focusing on Southeast Asia and Australia. In Europe, we are targeting 5-7 countries. Last month, we launched Suzlon Europe in Madrid and introduced European product portfolio

Do you see India emerging as a global hub for wind turbine manufacturing and exports?
Absolutely. Today, the world views India as an important partner in the global renewable energy supply chain. We are among a select group of countries with strong capabilities across the wind energy value chain. The world is becoming increasingly multipolar, and countries no longer want to depend on a single source for critical technologies. Supply chains are being diversified, and India is well-positioned to benefit from that trend.

How is Suzlon preparing to meet growing demand for wind turbines, and are there plans to expand mfg capacity?
Suzlon has about 4.5 GW of annual manufacturing capacity. With the launch of the S175 platform, we plan to raise capacity in line with market growth. The advantage of our manufacturing ecosystem is that we can scale relatively quickly. If market demand rises significantly, we can ramp up capacity within 9-12 months.

What are your export ambitions over the next few years?
We have recently started our export journey—about 4 months ago. We have identified several target markets. In Asia-Pacific, we are focusing on Southeast Asia and Australia. In Europe, we are targeting 5-7 countries. Last month, we launched Suzlon Europe in Madrid and introduced European product portfolio. Between now and 2031, our goal is to secure 3 GW of international orders.

What is your assessment of offshore wind development in India, and do you believe the country is ready to scale up investments in the segment?
The first question is whether offshore wind is necessary today and under what conditions it becomes economically viable. Globally, offshore wind has grown because many countries have limited land availability and very strong wind resources at sea.

MONEY-WISE

WHY PEOPLE LOSE MONEY IN EQUITIES?

FINANCIAL ADVICE

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PEOPLE lose money in equities primarily due to behavioural mistakes, lack of knowledge, and treating the market like a casino (especially F&O), not because the market itself is rigged.

While the Indian market (Nifty/Sensex) has delivered strong long-term returns of around 12-15% CAGR over decades for disciplined investors, most retail participants lose money. This is particularly true in short-term trading and derivatives. SEBI Data on Losses show a harsh reality in equity derivatives (F & O):

In FY25, 91% of individual (retail) traders lost money. Aggregate net losses reached ₹1.06 lakh crore in a single year (up 41% YoY). In the FY22–FY24 period, 93% of individual F&O traders lost money, with total losses exceeding ₹1.8 lakh crore over three years.

Options trading is especially brutal for retail (most losses happen here). Futures are slightly better but still loss-making for most individuals. Cash market (actual buying of shares) sees fewer catastrophic wipeouts, but many still underperform or lose due to poor decisions.

Why Are These Problems Amplified?

Retail boom post-2020: Millions of new investors entered via zero-brokerage apps.

- **Social media influence**: Telegram channels, influencers, and "guaranteed tips" create massive herd behaviour.
- **F&O structure:** Extremely retail-friendly but tilted against them (high leverage + time decay in options).

Top Reasons Why People Lose Money

REASON	WHY IT HAPPENS	IMPACT
Treating market like gambling	Easy apps, leverage, weekly expiries, social media hype	Highest losses (90%+ in derivatives)
Lack of knowledge & research	Buying without understanding biz, financials	Wrong stock selection
Emotional decisions	Panic selling in corrections,	Buy high, sell low
Following tips & herd mentality	WhatsApp/Telegram groups, YouTube, TV experts, friends	Pump-and-dump traps
High transaction costs	Highest STT in the world	Frequent trading eats profits
Poor risk management	No stop-loss, over-leveraging, risking too much	One bad trade can wipe out account
Short-term mindset	Expecting quick multi-baggers	Compounding destroyed by costs & taxes
Lack of diversification	Putting all money in 2-3 stocks or sectors	One bad stock = big loss
Chasing hype	"Next multi-bagger" stories	Most such stocks crash
No plan, discipline	Trading on gut feeling	Inconsistent decisions

MONEY MATTERS

BIG-BANG IPOs: ANALYSE BEFORE INVESTING

FINANCIAL KNOWLEDGE

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OVER the past few days, three IPO filings by the National Stock Exchange, Jio Platforms, and Zepto with the Securities and Exchange Board of India have sparked curiosity. Jio Platforms is likely to be the biggest in value, followed by NSE and Zepto. Their offer documents provide a wealth of information about their business, the industry they operate in, their finances, and the risk factors associated with investing. For those interested, this is an opportune time to gain insights into businesses you or your friends have used.

The NSE IPO is only an offer for sale by existing investors. That means no money goes to the company. Since it is a steady, profit-making, cash-flow-generating company, it does not need IPO proceeds for future expansion.

Jio Platforms and Zepto are capital-hungry businesses. Telecom and quick-service delivery models require significant capital to get new customers and expand coverage. Jio Platforms is issuing new shares to IPO investors, and since Reliance Industries is the main promoter, it is not selling any shares it already owns. The nature of the offer indicates that the company seeks to maintain adequate balance sheet strength to support future growth.

The story of Zepto is all about the future. The restated losses reported for 2025-26 in the IPO document are significant. However, the company has already raised substantial capital to fund growth. The IPO is a way for existing investors to secure a partial exit while issuing new shares to raise additional capital for expansion. It is a fiercely competitive business, and Zepto is a challenger to incumbents like Swiggy and Zomato(Blinkit). Revenue growth is strong, which should give investors confidence that the company can eventually turn in profits.

The future growth of companies seeking new capital through IPOs matters. As a potential investor, you may want to take a deep dive into the granular data in the prospectus. It is possible for people who are proficient in finance. It is also possible now for those who can use artificial intelligence to make sense of the information. You need to know the information likely to influence these companies' future profit growth. There must be a growing customer base. If that is not possible, revenue per customer must grow consistently for any company to manage its working capital and eventually turn a profit. NSE and Jio Platforms are clocking significant profits, thanks to strong founding shareholders who supported their initial growth. For Zepto, it is a challenge, so the investor takeaway is to focus on the path from growth to profit.

An attractive IPO is one that leaves money on the table for new investors to make eventually. NSE is a steady business that will ensure you receive adequate returns on your investment each year. Jio Platforms is already very large, which makes hyper-growth a challenge. In contrast, Zepto is a nimble consumer tech company growing fast but not yet profitable. However, the potential for hyper-scaling is high at this company, so the takeaway is to weigh stability, scale, and growth before investing.

What can you do

If you are aware of finer details of an IPO document, you may want to read it well. If you are not a finance person, you may want to use AI to help you make sense of the document in simple language. Just like individuals, mutual funds will own these shares after the listing. You may want to continue investing through diversified equity funds and minimise risk in your investment portfolio. IPOs are not a lottery ticket. They are investments that you participate in to benefit from the future growth of businesses. You need to get a handle on some basics to know that. It is not a method to double your money quickly. All forms of equity investing require you to give adequate time to grow. Your understanding of the basics and your temperament determine the success of your future wealth, so the takeaway is to invest with patience and discipline.

Market gears up for NSE, Jio IPOs

ARSHAD KHAN @ New Delhi

DOMESTIC capital market is gearing up for two of its largest initial public offerings (IPOs) as Jio Platforms and National Stock Exchange (NSE) have filed draft red herring prospectuses (DRHP) with market regulator SEBI this week to raise a combined roughly $7 billion.

The sheer size of the two IPOs, coming on the heels of blockbuster SpaceX listing in the US market, has created strong buzz among investors, given that both companies are dominant players in their respective markets and have seen strong growth in the last couple of years. Experts believe Jio and NSE have the potential to deliver strong returns to investors in the long run. They also cited that listing gains will largely depend on how attractive the two IPOs are priced.

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"Listing gains for upcoming big IPOs of NSE and Jio would largely be a function of pricing and how attractive the investment bankers price the IPO and leave something on the table to attract retail investors. Having said that, I think retail investors should avoid looking at both these IPOs purely from a listing gains perspective," said Narendra Solanki, Head Fundamental Research - Investment Services, Anand Rathi Share and Stock Brokers Limited.

He added, "Instead, investors should focus on the quality of the underlying business, growth prospects, competitive positioning, and valuation at the time of the IPO. If the pricing is reasonable relative to long-term earnings potential, these companies can produce long-term wealth creation opportunities rather than short-term gains."

Jio Platforms, the digital service arm of billionaire Mukesh Ambani's Reliance Industries Ltd (RIL), is expected to launch $4 billion or ₹37,700 crore in the near future, making it the largest initial share sale in India's capital market history. According to the filed DRHP on Friday, Jio's IPO is structured as a primary issuance of 270 million (27 crore) equity shares, representing approximately 2.9% of post-issue share capital.

Mutual funds cut IT exposure in May; shift money to healthcare, industrials

DIPAK MONDAL @ New Delhi

MUTUAL funds trimmed their exposure to information technology companies in May 2026, reflecting growing concerns over the sector's near-term growth outlook amid persistent macroeconomic uncertainties and signs of slowing discretionary technology spending by global clients.

According to sectoral holding data by Prime Database, mutual fund investments in IT companies fell by Rs 4,810 crore during the month to Rs 3.13 lakh crore from Rs 3.18 lakh crore in April.

The sector's share in total mutual fund equity holdings declined to 5.99% from 6.16%, making IT one of the few sectors to witness a reduction in portfolio allocation despite an overall increase in mutual fund equity holdings.

The current sell-off in Indian IT stocks is a direct reflex reaction to global tech giant Accenture trimming its full-year revenue outlook

hashwat Singh, analyst, Bajaj Broking

The decline comes even as mutual funds increased their overall equity exposure by 61,404 crore in May, taking total sectoral holdings to 52.3 lakh crore. Fund managers instead directed fresh allocations toward healthcare, industrials and consumer-focused sectors that are seen benefiting more directly from India's domestic growth story.

The reduction in IT exposure coincides with rising investor concerns over demand visibility in key overseas markets, particularly the United States, which accounts for a significant share of revenue for India's leading software exporters.

"The current sell-off in Indian IT stocks is a direct reflex reaction to global tech giant Accenture trimming its full-year revenue outlook," said Shashwat Singh, Fundamental Analyst at Bajaj Broking.

Yamal off the mark as Spain thrash Saudi

AGENCIES @ Atlanta

WELCOME to the World Cup, Lamine Yamal. Welcome to the World Cup, Spain.

Teenage superstar Yamal scored 10 minutes into his first start on football's biggest stage and Spain kickstarted their campaign with the 4-0 demolition of Saudi Arabia on Sunday. The 18-year-old forward slid in at the far post to touch home a low cross for the opening goal in Atlanta. He became the eighth youngest scorer in World Cup history and more importantly settled Spanish nerves after the team was held to a surprise 0-0 draw by Cape Verde in its opening game.

In a tournament that has already seen Lionel Messi, Kylian Mbappe, Erling Haaland and Harry Kane get off to flying starts, Yamal's strike saw him join the party. The Barcelona winger is already considered one the world's top players and helped Spain win the European Championship in 2024 despite being just 16 years old when the tournament started. He is tipped to take over from Messi and Cristiano Ronaldo as the sport's biggest star but came into the World Cup with questions over his fitness. Yamal, who was only used as a second-half substitute against Cape Verde, was thrown in from the start against Saudi Arabia and wasted no time in making his presence felt. He had already repeatedly sliced through the Saudi defense before turning home Mikel Oyarzabal's cross.

It was just the impact Spain coach Luis de la Fuente wanted from his star player, having been inundated with questions about when Yamal would be ready to start.

But Yamal's opener sparked a flurry of first-half goals. Oyarzabal, who was criticized for not touching the ball at all in the first 30 minutes against Cape Verde, not only provided the assist for Yamal, but scored two more with close range strikes in the 21st and 24th. So dominant was Spain's lead that De la Fuente had seen enough and took both his scorers off at halftime. Inside four minutes of the second half, the lead was extended when Marc Cucurella's shot rebounded off Hassan Altambakti for an own goal. **Result:** Spain 4 (Lamine 10', Oyarzabal 21', 24', Altambakti 49' (og)) **bt** Saudi Arabia 0.

Spain's Lamine Yamal celebrates his first World Cup goal on Sunday | AP

IRAQ: J Hassan (12); H Ali (3), Z Tahseen (4), A Hashim(5), M Doski (23); I Bayesh (8), Al-Ammari (16), Z Ismael (24), A Jasim (17); A Hussein (18), Al-Hamadi (9).

FRANCE: Maignan (16); Kounde (5), Saliba (17), Upamecano (4), Digne (3); Tchouameni (8), Rabiot (14), Olise (11), Dembele (7), Doue (20); Mbappe (10).

FRANCE SEEK KO BERTH

LES BLEUS WILL BE PLOTTING THEIR SECOND WIN WHEN THEY FACE IRAQ IN PHILADELPHIA. A LOOK...

MBAPPE THREAT

Kylian Mbappe became France's leading goalscorer (58 goals) by scoring a double against Senegal in the opener and he will be looking to add to his tally. Michael Olise and Ousmane Dembele will also be hoping to be on the scoresheet.

UPHILL BATTLE FOR IRAQ

Iraq were guilty of making mistakes in their defeat to Norway. Aymen Hussein and Co will look to eliminate those againstFrance. They will have to shore up their defence or it could be a long evening for the team.

Today's match

Group I: France vs Iraq @ Philadelphia Stadium | 2:30 AM*

OTHER MATCHES

Group J: Jordan vs Algeria (8:30 AM*)
Group I: Norway vs Senegal (5:30 AM*).
* IST Tuesday

LIVE on Unite8 Sports & Zee5

BUOYANT GERMANY BACK IN BIG PICTURE

Undav brace helps 4-time winners enter KOs for first time since 2014

LEXIE LINDERMAN @ Toronto

AN hour into the game, Germany was getting outplayed by Ivory Coast and trailed by a goal. Coach Julian Nagelsmann needed a spark and substituted in three fresh players, one of whom was Deniz Undav. That decision paid off big time. Undav scored twice as Germany defeated Ivory Coast 2-1 on Saturday and clinched a spot in the knockout phase at the World Cup. "It's important that everyone sees that even the players from the bench can decide games," said Undav, who also scored in Germany's 7-1 opening match rout of Curacao. "Now we have a really important signal to the team. I think that's very important in a game like this."

Four minutes into stoppage time, Undav received a pass from Felix Nmecha in front of the net and rifled it past Ivory Coast goalkeeper Yahia Fofana to give the Germans a comeback win. It was the German national team's 11th straight win, a streak dating to September 2025. Undav's first goal of the match came after Nadiem Amiri sent in a long ball – that striker Kai Havertz let pass him by – onto the boot of Undav, who slammed it into the back of the net in the 68th minute. Both Amiri and Undav had subbed on eight minutes earlier. "Deniz is nobody who needs to be prepared," Nagelsmann said. "He can jump in right away." Four-time champion Germany has come back from disappointing group stage exits in 2018 and 2022, while Ivory Coast is still searching for its first knockout stage appearance and could still qualify. The last time Germany got past the group stage it won the tournament in 2014. "Think we showed great character today," Undav said. "We want to achieve the most."

Ivory Coast captain Franck Kessie opened the scoring in the 30th minute after midfielder Yan Diomande sent in a cross to forward Amad Diallo. His shot was blocked by Germany's Nathaniel Brown, but the ball bounced back to Kessie, who slotted it in the wide-open left corner of the net.

Germany had two goals waved off in a frustrating first half. The first was in the 21st minute when Fofana batted the ball into his own net, but Germany midfielder Aleksander Pavlovic made illegal contact with Fofana on the play. The second came in the 38th minute on a foul, as Jamal Musiala was called for contact on the build-up to what would've been a Havertz goal. *AP*

Germany players celebrate the second goal against Ivory Coast on Saturday | AP

QUICK PASSES

Iran restrictions to be eased

LOS ANGELES: Iran coach Amir Ghalenoei said Saturday he has been told US travel restrictions on his World Cup team will finally be eased for their third group game, but blasted the treatment they have received so far for damaging their on-field performance. The Iranian squad arrived at the World Cup with their country still at war with co-hosts the United States.

Treatment for Raphinha

MORRISTOWN (NEW JERSEY): Brazil forward Raphinha will undergo treatment on a hamstring injury, the country's national team said Saturday. After leaving late in the first half to recieve medical attention, tests confirmed an injury but not one that led him to be ruled out of the tournament. Raphinha is set to go through an intensive treatment protocol on his way back to the team.

'Have faith': Vozinha's mom

MIAMI GARDENS:Vozinha will have his mother in the stands for Cabo Verde's second match against Uruguay as she was unable to attend their stunning opening draw against Spain because she couldn't obtain a visa. Ana Candida Evora is here now, though — making Cape Verde's story even better. "The players need to have faith and everything will go well," she said in FIFA's video post.

Upbeat Argentina face Austria

DEFENDING CHAMPS WILL LOOK TO SEAL A KNOCKOUT BERTH WHEN THEY TAKE ON AUSTRIA IN DALLAS ON MONDAY. A LOOK...

MESSI CHASING GREATNESS

Lionel Messi showed he's still one of the best in the business with a hat-trick – his first at the WC – against Algeria. He'll be aiming to power his team to the Round of 32. Messi is just one goal away from surpassing Miroslav Klose (16) as the World Cup's all-time leading scorer.

TOUGH TEST FOR AUSTRIA

Austria did get all three points against debutants Jordan in their previous outing but they had to work hard for it. They'll be wary of the threat that Messi and Argentina players bring to the table and they'll be hoping to get something out of the tie.

Live Action **Group J:** Argentina vs Austria (10:30 PM) **LIVE on Unite8 Sports & Zee5**

ARGENTINA: E Martinez (23), Molina (26), Romero (13), L Martinez (6), Medina (25); De Paul (7), Mac Allister (20), Fernandez (24); Messi (10), Lautaro (22), Almada (16).

AUSTRIA: A Schlager (1); Prass (22),Lienhart (15), Alaba (8), Mwene (16); Laimer (20), Seiwald (6), Schmid (18), X Schlager (4), Sabitzer (9); Kalajdžić (14)

JAPANESE CULTURE BEHIND BRIGHT SHOW

SWAROOP SWAMINATHAN

IT feels instructive to begin a piece on Japan's victory over Tunisia by first talking about their culture. When they first began the J1 League in the early 1990s, they had put in place a 100-year plan. By 2090, they told themselves, they would win the World Cup. The people who wrote the document knew they themselves wouldn't be around, but it was still important to commit to something. To an ultra-ambitious but still feasible goal.

In 2005, after seeing the progress they had made, that document received a fresh coat of paint. They would, they told themselves, try and win the World Cup by 2050.

"This is the culture of Japanese football, now and forever," Tom Byer, the man who wrote the basic grammar of the sport in the country, tells this daily. "It's actually, the culture of Japan." On the day they became the first Asian nation to score four goals in a single match at the World Cup, they remain the standard-bearers for all countries part of the Asian Confederation.

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What does football, especially at the elite level, have to do with culture? "Everything," according to Byer. "It plays a big role. In Japan, we constantly talk about culture; it's one of the most defining factors in sport development. The reason why I say that... at the very basic level, when a 6-7 year old is introduced to the game first, their parents will have to have that mindset of (seeing their kids) training multiple times every week. That same culture is how you get used to the idea that when kids go to junior high, they have to start training six to seven days a week with not much time for recovery. That's a very cultural thing, and you have to understand that.

"They believe it's a coaching problem. Between the ages of six to 12, coaching in Japan is no different. When these kids first start playing football, their first coaches are invariably their parents, and most of them are very inexperienced. But this is where cultural identity plays a big role. It creates discipline, repetition and commitment to mastery. Because people know that you have never really arrived in Japan. Let's take the example of a baseball player; you would have practised catching a ball 10000 times. But even after that, there's absolute commitment to keep working."

Byer, an American by birth, had moved to Japan following a brief playing career. Since then, he has worn many hats within the sphere of player development in Japan. "The success was thanks to systems put in place in 1993. People need to understand that. It doesn't happen overnight. You have to realise that short-term thinking doesn't get you far. There was a time when we wouldn't even have dreamt of a player like (Takehiro) Tomiyasu (Former Arsenal defender). We have (Ayase) Ueda, who was the leading goalscorer in the Eredivisie. Japanese players are all over the world. We have technical skills development programmes running back three decades." From a very young age, Japanese kids are exposed to technical skills.

Full story: newindianexpress.com

Most of the Japan players are part of the country's system laid in the 1990s | AP

Room heroics earn Curacao a point

JOHN WEAVER @ Kansas City

CURACAO goalkeeper Eloy Room was the hero on Saturday as the tiny Caribbean island claimed its first-ever World Cup point in a goalless draw against toothless Ecuador. Ecuador, who finished second in South American qualifying, had 28 shots, including 15 on target, in Kansas City but Room stood firm in an astonishing display. The 0-0 draw in Group E keeps alive Curacao's hopes of reaching the knockout phase, extending their fairytale journey at their first World Cup. The tiny country — the smallest by population ever to play on football's biggest stage — have Miami FC goalkeeper Room to thank for their point against Ecuador.

Room's 15 saves are the most on record since 1966 by any goalkeeper at a World Cup match that did not feature extra-time. The draw in the American Midwest restored pride after a 7-1 mauling by Germany in their opening match. "I still have to process it myself," said Room.

"The match was full of emotions. "There were lots of saves, but I think after the first save, the tone was put in place, also for the team. **Results:** Germany 2 (Undav 68, 90+4) **bt** Ivory Coast 1 (Kessie 30); Ecuador 0 **drew with** Curacao 0; Tunisia 0 **lost to** Japan 4 (Kamada 4, Ueda 31, 83, Ito 69). *AFP*

EXPRESS READ

India defeat New Zealand to win Nations Cup

AUCKLAND: Continuing their impressive run of form, The senior Indian women's hockey team defeated New Zealand 2-0 in the final to win their second FIH Women's Nations Cup title and secured promotion to the FIH Women's Pro League on Sunday. Navneet Kaur (4') gave India the early lead before Sunelita Toppo (15') doubled India's advantage.

Indian men's hockey team beats Netherlands

ROTTERDAM: Goals from Jugraj Singh (18'), Abhishek (27'), and Rajinder Singh (56') helped India secure a thrilling 3-2 victory of the leg against Netherlands in the FIH Pro League at Hockey Club Rotterdam on Sunday.

Back-to-back wins for B'luru Blasters

MYSURU:Bengaluru Blasters made a powerful statement of intent beating Shivamogga Yodhas by 16 runs for back to back victories in the Maharaja Trophy KSCA T20 tournament on Sunday.

Abhay-Velavan win third successive Asian title

SARAWAK (MALAYSIA): India's top-seeded pair of Abhay Singh and Velavan Senthilkumar extended their dominance on the continental stage by winning a third consecutive men's doubles title at the Asian Doubles Squash Championship on Sunday. The Indian duo rallied to defeat Pakistan's Nasir Iqbal and Noor Zaman 7-11, 11-7, 11-2 in 47.

After century, Jaiswal dropped for Eng ODIs

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE

A DAY after he made a breezy ton against Afghanistan, Yashasvi Jaiswal has been left out of the India squad for the England ODIs. Virat Kohli is named in the squad, but his availability is subject to fitness, the BCCI announced on Sunday. Meanwhile, Varun Chakaravarthy is out of the T20 squad, as still in his final stages of his rehab. **India's ODI squad:** Gill (C), Rohit, Kohli*, Shreyas (VC), Rahul (WK), Kishan (WK), Washington, Axar, Nitish, Kuldeep, Bumrah, Prasidh, Rana, Arshdeep, Brar. **India's updated squad for Ireland T20Is:** Shreyas (C), Abhishek, Samson (WK), Kishan (WK), Dube, Tilak (VC), Nitish, Axar, Washington, Bishnoi, Rana, Arshdeep, Prince, Vaibhav, Prasidh.

Marizanne mayhem in Manchester

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE

DROPPED catches, bowling tactics and a sensational Marizanne Kapp proved fatal for India as South Africa beat Harmanpreet Kaur and Co by six wickets in the T20 World Cup match at Old Trafford, Manchester.

Coming into the contest, India had two big wins, but this was their big litmus test. Against a team that has consistently challenged them and often gotten on top of them. And it seemed like they started well with Shafali Verma (30) and Smriti Mandhana hitting the ground running. But Kapp, arguably the best all-rounder in the world, slowed things down as India lost wickets at regular intervals. They would have been happy with the recovery while finishing with 158/7 and the two early wickets from Sree Charani.

But what followed was a flurry of dropped catches, three of them including one for Kapp at a crucial juncture. And after barely getting across the line against Pakistan, Kapp showed her wrath on India, smashing an unbeaten 44-ball 81 to take South Africa over the line. Now, India have to beat Bangladesh and Australia to comfortably progress. **Brief scores:** India 158/7 in 20 ovs (Shafali 31; Kapp 2/27) **lost to** SA 161/4 in 19.1 ovs (Kapp 81 n.o, Brits 40; NR Sree Charani 3/24); SL 98 all out in 19.4 ovs (Nilakshika 30; Matthews 3/15) **lost to** WI 99/5 in 16.1 ovs (Taylor 27 n.o; Kavisha 2/22).

Marizanne Kapp took 2/27 and scored 81 n.o on Sunday | ICC

Sooryavanshi breaks record as India A win

AGENCIES @ Dambulla

VAIBHAV Sooryavanshi showcased his astonishing talent and big-match temperament with a 29-ball 94, laying the foundation for India A's lopsided 66-run over Sri Lanka A in the tri-series final here on Sunday. Sooryavanshi's romp, which also contained an 11-ball 50, the fastest in List A cricket, guided India A to a massive 377 for nine.

Sri Lanka A mustered 311 all out in reply as pacer Yash Thakur (3/45) and spinner Vipraj Nigam (3/60) inflicted timely blows. **Brief scores:** India 'A' 377/9 in 50 ovs (Sooryavanshi 94; Wanuja 2/39, **bt** SL 'A': 311 in 47.1 ovs (Wanuja 62; Yash 3/45).

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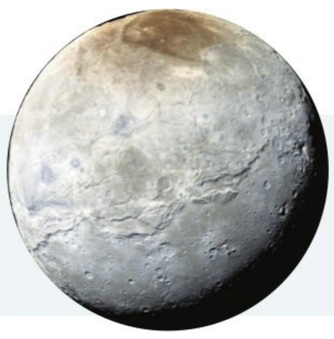


DAY'S DIARY

Pluto's largest moon

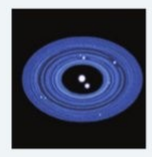
Charon, the largest moon of the dwarf planet Pluto, was discovered on this day, in 1978, by James Christy and Robert Harrington

ORBIT

Charon orbits Pluto in 6.387 Earth days, following a circular path with a radius of 19,640 km. It always shows the same hemisphere to Pluto, because its rotation period is identical to its orbital period

A DOUBLE WORLD SYSTEM

Charon is massive with respect to Pluto that some scientists prefer to think of the two bodies as a double system that orbit an empty point in space



OTHER MOONS

Scientists discovered four other moons revolving around Pluto between 2005 and 2012; they were named Nix, Hydra Kerberos and Styx

Ram Charan-Janhvi Kapoor-starrer *Peddi* has sparked criticism with viewers pointing out the problematic portrayal of women. With discussions having expanded into a debate about female representation, *CE* speaks with industry voices on the larger questions the movie has raised

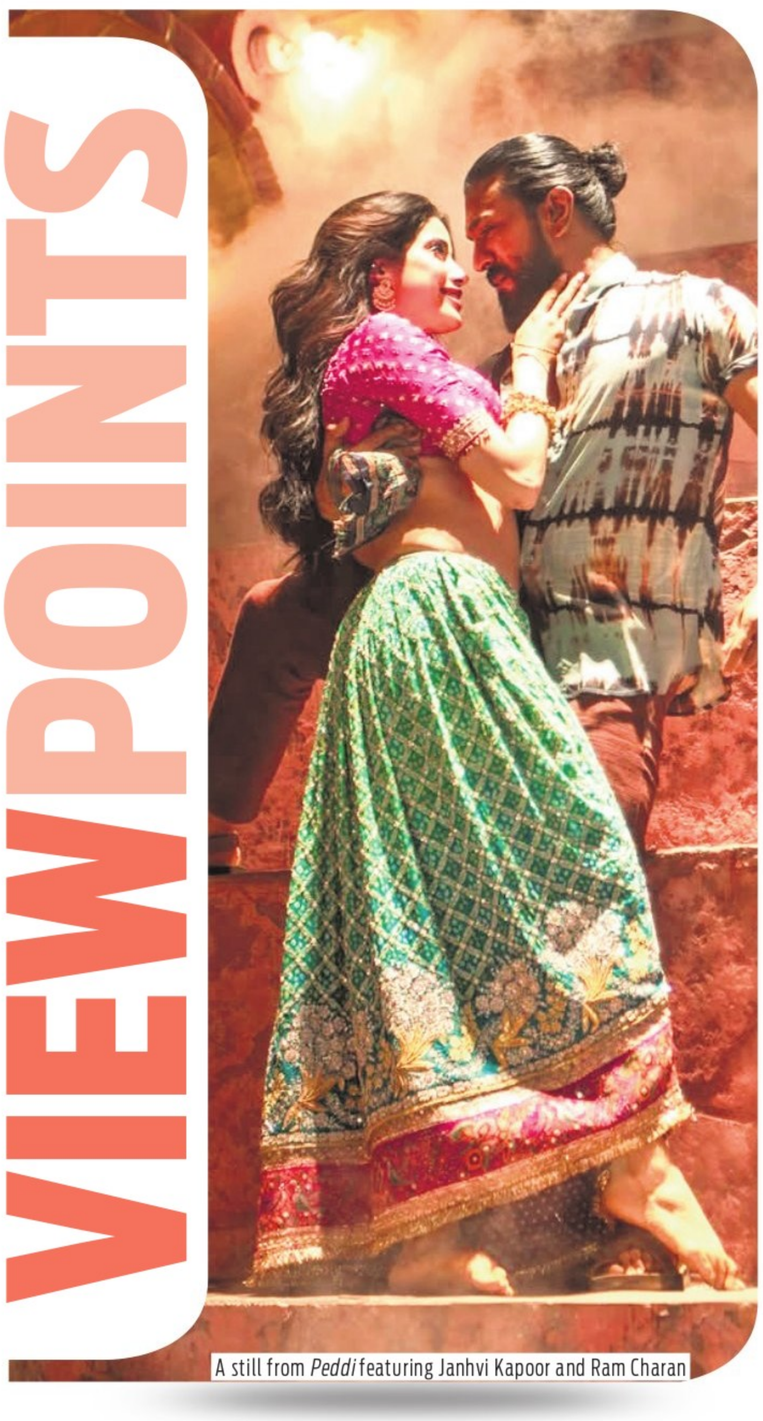
ANJALI RAM & MAHIMA NAGARAJU

OVER the years, conversations around gender representation in cinema have become louder and more nuanced. With every commercial film released in a year, more than half are under audience scrutiny because they are not just watching films; they are also questioning the messages they send.

The recent addition to it is the controversy surrounding *Peddi*, starring Ram Charan and Janhvi Kapoor, and how a scene from it has sparked debates about agency, consent and accountability in storytelling. Adding to the discussion, recently actor Nithya Menen remarked that actors should question scenes they find problematic, reigniting debates about the responsibility of performers in shaping on-screen narratives.

Following the criticism, director Buchi Babu Sana apologised for the audience discomfort, stating he was 'caught off guard' about the scenes pointing to objectification – low-level camera angles and intimacy without consent. As the debate continues to unfold, *CE* gauges public opinion on the controversy among Bengalureans, including industry voices.

VIEWPOINTS



A still from *Peddi* featuring Janhvi Kapoor and Ram Charan

'I AM LESS INTERESTED IN ASSIGNING BLAME'
LEKHA NAIDU, THEATRE ARTIST

THE question is not whether problematic portrayals of women existed; it's whether we were willing to talk about them. Even if some of these conversations emerge under the guise of PR, reputation management, or damage control, they are still useful to have. I am less interested in assigning blame and more interested in what the conversation reveals about the relationship between cinema, audiences and accountability. Scripts are still largely written by men, often for a presumed male viewer, and within a commercial logic that treats the female body as spectacle while reserving action, transformation and heroism for male characters. But it is also worth asking why these stories continue to be made. The question is whether they feel secure enough to do so. Do they need the job? How will the questioning be received by people in positions of power? Will they be labelled difficult? While the central accountability may rest with writers and directors, every working mind in the process bears some responsibility. The larger question is whether everyone involved is genuinely free to question the choices being made.

'RESPONSIBILITY CANNOT REST ON ONE PERSON'
SIDDU MOOLIMANI, ACTOR

CINEMA is a powerful medium. People get inspired by what they watch, and sometimes they even imitate it. That's why we must be conscious of what we are giving back to society. Being an artiste means being fearless – not only while performing a role, but also while questioning things that don't feel right. Actors eventually become the face of a story. Audiences remember them, connect with them and often see them as the character itself. That comes with a certain responsibility. Cinema is team effort, so responsibility cannot rest on one person. Writers, directors and actors have a role in ensuring the content they create is responsible.

'DON'T THINK THE DEPICTION OF JANHVI KAPOOR IS VULGAR'
SAKSHI MEGHANA, ACTOR

I DID not think the depiction of her style to be vulgar; I found her to be beautiful. Janhvi comes from Bollywood, so she may not have realised it would be received like this in the South either. When the director has a vision, it's an actor's job to convey that with the dialogue and costumes. Even when they feel something may be received negatively, we can make suggestions, but it's eventually up to the director. If the director says 'no', we cannot push further because it leads to clashes. The negative comments she has received is unfair. I, too, experience demeaning comments online on some posts. People should remember to just not watch it if they don't like it – there is no need to resort to cyberbullying.

'DIRECTOR IS ACCOUNTABLE, ARTISTES ARE COMPELLED BY CIRCUMSTANCES'
ANIRUDDHA JATKAR, ACTOR

THE director is accountable because he is the creative force behind the film. Sometimes, artistes are compelled by circumstances, and to remain in the market, they have to take up these roles. Since the beginning of cinema, we have had 'item' songs, but they used to be a small segment, meant to draw certain audiences to theatres. But the heroine still had a strong, performance-oriented role. The character in *Peddi* is portrayed very unrealistically; you won't find a real village girl in a costume like that. When an actor like Janhvi, who we associate with her mother, actor Sridevi, who was known for her strong performances, is not given an opportunity to do the same, it's disappointing.

'WOMEN ARE OFTEN TREATED AS PROPS, NOT PEOPLE'
HARSHINI BOYALLA, ACTOR

I don't really see *Peddi* as a controversy. I see it as a valid concern raised by an evolving audience. The fact that people are questioning these portrayals shows that audiences are becoming more conscious of what they consume. Female characters receive less agency because women themselves are often not perceived as fully human. How we see women in society inevitably reflects in the art we create. If women are viewed as objects, they will be written as objects. Whether you're performing for six people in a theatre or millions in a cinema hall, you are leaving audiences with something. The question is: what are we asking them to feel, think about or normalise? We've spent years fighting for more nuanced representations. Why go backwards? Art has the power to help people question, reflect and make sense of their identities. That responsibility cannot be ignored.

PREVIEW With American singer-songwriter Taylor Swift moving to soundmark her voice and Spotify introducing AI features, it seems like the much-hyped tech is everywhere. Bengaluru's music scene is no exception, find out soon in *CE*

CITY READ

Culinary experience on Malenadu on June 27

Malenadu, an immersive culinary and storytelling experience by Ole Project, is set to take place on June 27 at 1pm at Watson's Cantina, Vasanth Nagar, exploring the rich food traditions of Karnataka's Malenadu region. It unfolds through a nine-course meal drawing inspiration from forest produce, native grains, seasonal harvests and coastal-inland influences. Priced at ₹2,500++ per person, the tickets are available on urbanaut.app.

Apartment community hosts saree walkathon

Prestige Misty Waters, Kempapura, organised a saree walkathon on Sunday, in connection with International Yoga Day. The event celebrated the elegance of the saree while also promoting health, fitness and community bonding among women of all ages. Participants were awarded medals and surprise gifts.

FOCUS FEATURE

Yoga as Medicine: India's Emerging Healthcare Story

Beyond a Day of Celebration

When the United Nations adopted June 21 as the International Day of Yoga in 2014 with the support of 196 nations, it marked a defining moment in the global recognition of one of India's most enduring traditions. Over the last decade, yoga has evolved far beyond its image as a spiritual or fitness practice. Today, it is increasingly viewed as a tool for physical fitness, mental well-being, preventive healthcare, therapy, and holistic living.

The annual observance of International Day of Yoga (IDY) has played a major role in taking yoga to millions of people across India and around the world. Supported by Indian missions abroad, yoga celebrations are now held in major cities across continents, making yoga one of India's most successful instruments of soft power. Yet, beyond the mass participation events lies a more significant development - the gradual integration of yoga into mainstream healthcare.

From Ashrams to Universities

The modern yoga movement gained momentum during the 1980s through institutions such as Bihar School of Yoga, The Yoga Institute, Kaivalyadhama, and SVYASA. Yoga masters including B.K.S. Iyengar, Pattabhi Jois, T.K.V. Desikachar, Sri Sri Ravi Shankar, Sadhguru Jaggi Vasudev, and Swami Ramdev further expanded its reach through distinctive approaches that attracted practitioners across India and abroad.

Initially, the focus was on training yoga instructors for fitness, stress management, and wellness. Over time, yoga entered universities and research institutions, creating a formal academic framework for the discipline. Today, more than 100 universities offer programmes ranging from diplomas to postgraduate degrees and research in Yoga Science and Yoga Therapy. Institutions such as SVYASA University, Dev Sanskriti Vishwavidyalaya, Patanjali University, and the Morarji Desai National Institute of Yoga have played a significant role in advancing yoga education and research.

From Yoga Education to Medical Practice

A major turning point came in 1989 when Padma Vibhushan Dr. D. Veerendra Heggade established India's first professional medical programme in Yoga and Naturopathy through the Bachelor of Naturopathy and Yogic Sciences (BNYS) degree. What began as a pioneering initiative has since evolved into a recognised medical education pathway with dedicated colleges, hospitals, postgraduate programmes, and specialised clinical training.

Today, the SDM Educational Society operates one of India's largest Yoga and Naturopathy healthcare networks, with nearly 1,000 hospital beds across Dharmasthala, Udupi, and Bengaluru. The Rajiv Gandhi University of Health Sciences further strengthened the discipline by introducing MD programmes in Clinical Yoga Therapy, creating opportunities for advanced clinical specialisation.

More than 100 Yoga and Naturopathy colleges now operate across 19 states. Graduates trained in BNYS and postgraduate programmes serve as physicians, consultants, researchers, and educators. In many states, they are registered as medical practitioners through statutory councils, enabling them to contribute to preventive healthcare, lifestyle intervention, and patient management.

The Evidence-Based Advantage

Among the AYUSH systems, Yoga and Naturopathy has emerged as one of the most extensively researched disciplines. Scientific studies conducted in institutions such as AIIMS, New Delhi, and NIMHANS, Bengaluru, along with leading international universities and medical centres, have explored its role in addressing lifestyle disorders, diabetes, cardiovascular diseases, anxiety, depression, chronic pain, cancer rehabilitation, and stress-related conditions.

This growing body of evidence has helped position yoga not merely as an alternative practice but as a complementary healthcare intervention. Increasingly, healthcare professionals view yoga through the lens of lifestyle medicine and mind-body medicine, where behavioural change, stress reduction, physical activity, and preventive care contribute to better health outcomes.

A New Era of Medical Integration

Perhaps the most significant development in recent years has been the growing collaboration between Yoga and Naturopathy institutions and conventional healthcare systems.

International Day of Yoga 2026 is witnessing unprecedented participation from medical, dental, nursing, physiotherapy, AYUSH, and allied health science institutions across the country. In Karnataka, institutions affiliated to the Rajiv Gandhi University of Health Sciences have joined Yoga and Naturopathy colleges in large-scale observance programmes. Similar initiatives have been undertaken in Tamil Nadu, Rajasthan, and several other states.

These collaborations represent more than symbolic participation. They reflect a broader recognition that evidence-based yoga interventions can play a meaningful role in prevention, management, and rehabilitation, particularly in addressing non-communicable diseases and mental health disorders.

Looking Ahead

With over 20,000 physicians and 15,000 students, Yoga and Naturopathy is steadily strengthening its role in healthcare. Under the guidance and unwavering support of Hon'ble Minister of State for AYUSH Shri Prataprao Jadhavji, the discipline is set to achieve significant milestones in central regulation, accreditation, and large-scale medical integration in India and abroad.

Dr Narendra K Shetty,
State President of Indian Naturopathy and Yoga Graduates Medical Association-Karnataka Chapter

Chief Wellness Officer,
Kshemavana - SDM Institute of Naturopathy and Yogic Sciences

BOOK NOOK

Land
By Maggie O'Farrell

Land is a novel about separation and reunion, tragedy and recovery, colonisation and rebellion. As spellbinding and varied as the landscape that inspired it, *Land* is, above all, a story of survival, for our times and for all time.

A Pair of Aces
By Marie Benedict and Victoria Christopher Murray

A novel about two trailblazing women on opposite sides of the law – a prosecutor and a madam – who team up to bring down Lucky Luciano in 1930s New York.

The Someday Garden
By Ashley Poston

The new head gardener at the enchanting Lilymoor House stumbles upon a secret garden with a mysterious man trapped inside in this novel from the bestselling author of *Sounds Like Love* and *The Seven Year Slip*.

The Typing Lady
By Ruth Ozeki

A story collection about the lives we almost lived, the people we can't quite forget, and the stories that shape us long after the last page is turned. The book reveals how we record ourselves in language.

CLASSIC SMILE

Students from BGS Global College of Nursing take a selfie during the 25th Florence Nightingale Awards 2026 for nurses and healthcare professionals at Vidhana Soudha | **NAGARAJA GADEKAL**

QUICKFIX

MADDUR VADA

INGREDIENTS

- **Maida:** 1 cup
- **Few curry leaves (chopped)**
- **Red chilli powder:** ½ tsp
- **Oil for deep frying**
- **Green chillies (chopped):** 1-2
- **Onion (finely chopped):** 1 large
- **Hot oil:** 1 tbsp
- **Salt:** to taste
- **Rice flour :** ½ cup

METHOD

- In a bowl, mix maida, rice flour, chopped onion, green chillies, curry leaves, chilli powder and salt. Add hot oil and mix well.
- Sprinkle a little water and knead into a soft dough.
- Take small portions, flatten them gently into thin discs, and deep fry in hot oil until crisp and golden brown.

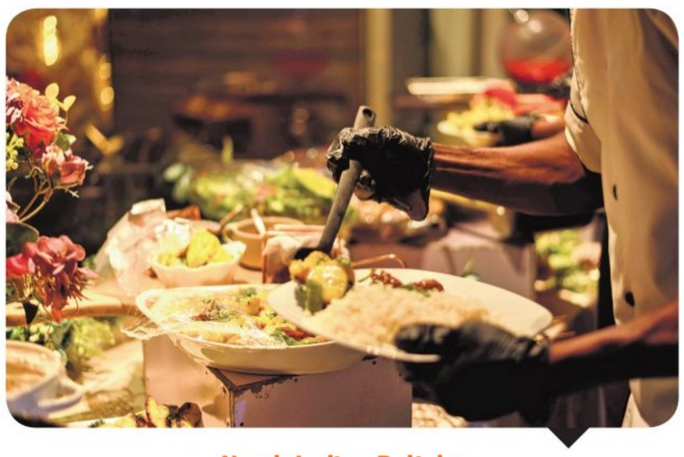
Contributed by **M Shanthi,** Bengaluru

WHATWHENWHYWHERE

Wine and Dine

Want to know how wine is made? Explore the art of wine-making with a wine tour, followed by a wine tasting and a buffet lunch. Get to wander around the vineyard and stamp on some grapes for fun.

WHEN: June 22, 11am onwards
WHERE: Rico Wine Park & Vineyards, Yelahanka
CALL: 96069 67208



North Indian Delight

Relish North Indian cuisine inspired by royal cooking. With options ranging from paneer makhani, dal baluchi, rajma raseela, bhindi singhada, chooza makhani, laal maans, various kinds of biryanis and more – host a corporate lunch or go along with a weekday guest. **WHEN:** June 22, 12.30pm **WHERE:** Baluchi -The Lalit Ashok, Kumara Krupa Rd **DETAILS:** district.in

Mould and Swig

Relax with a beverage while learning how to use your hands to make clay creations. Pick up the skills of clay shaping and modelling while exploring ways of making anything from a bowl to a decorative item.

WHEN: June 22, 12pm onwards
WHERE: The Rendezvous, Koramangala
CALL: 73496 96129

Movie Night

Watch the screening of *The Merchant of Four Seasons* directed by German filmmaker Rainer Werner Fassbinder, which follows the life of a man who returns from war and turns to life as a street fruit peddler, slowly turning to drinking and despair. The screening will be followed by a discussion.

WHEN: June 23, 7.45pm
WHERE: Angala, Cox Town
DETAILS: urbanaut.app

Laugh Away

Enjoy a night of absurd, edgy and funny jokes to relieve some tension of the work week. With a lineup of Bengaluru regulars, chuckle to jokes to your heart's content.

WHEN: June 22, 9pm
WHERE: Ministry of Comedy, Koramangala
DETAILS: district.in

Cathartic Poetry

Experience the works of **Eva Garg** whose poetry is inspired by rap music, films, emotional storytelling and everyday life. Immerse yourself in poetry that is vulnerable and highlights the themes of love, grief, longing and loneliness. **WHEN:** June 23, 7.30pm
WHERE: Urban Solace Cafe, Ulsoor
CALL: 98450 13055

Back to Roots

Explore the traditional folk art of Gond Art that is known for intricate patterns, bold colours and nature-inspired storytelling. As a beginner-friendly workshop, get to learn a new artform while also understanding its cultural roots. **WHEN:** June 22, 3pm
WHERE: Hobby Ghar, Basavanagudi
CALL: 95355 55644

DR VIVEK ARORA

The expert is a senior veterinarian, Crown Vet, Delhi.

My Domestic Shorthair 3-year-old cat is still shy, adjusting to our 1-year-old Labrador Retriever in a small apartment after six months together. How can I help her feel safer & bond?

A 3-year-old Domestic Shorthair may require additional time to feel comfortable around a young Labrador Retriever, particularly in a small apartment with limited space. Providing elevated resting spots, cat trees, shelves, or quiet hiding areas can help the cat feel secure and avoid unwanted interaction. Keep feeding stations, sleeping spaces and litter boxes separate to minimise stress. Encourage positive behaviour by rewarding calm encounters with treats or praise, but avoid forcing interaction between them. Regular playtime can improve the cat's confidence and reduce anxiety. In situations of persistent hiding, aggression or appetite changes, please consult your veterinarian.

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PRACTICES FOR TIRED LEGS

After a long day of standing, sitting, travelling, or walking, the legs can feel heavy and the feet can feel tired. Often, what helps is not an intense workout, but simple movement through the toes, ankles and calves, followed by rest. These practices gently activate the lower body and help the legs and feet feel lighter.

1. TOE SPREADING AND TOE CURLS
Sit on a chair with both feet on the floor. Spread the toes wide, then relax them. After a few rounds, gently curl the toes and release. Repeat 8 to 10 times. This wakes up the small muscles of the feet.

2. ANKLE PUMPS
Sit on a chair or lie on your back. Stretch the legs forward if comfortable. Point the toes away from you, then pull them back towards you. Move slowly and repeat 15 to 20 times. This helps activate the ankles and calves.

3. HEEL-TO-TOE ROCKS
Stand near a wall or chair for support. Rise slowly onto the toes, then lower the heels and gently lift the toes. Keep the knees soft and the body steady. Repeat 8 to 12 times. This works the calves and the front of the lower legs.

4. WALL CALF STRETCH
Stand facing a wall. Step one foot back and press the heel gently towards the floor. Keep the back knee straight but not locked. Bend the front knee slightly. Stay for 3 to 5 breaths and repeat on the other side.

5. VIPARITA KARANI VARIATION
Lie on your back and place the legs up a wall, or rest the calves on a chair. Let the knees stay relaxed. Keep the arms comfortable by the sides and breathe slowly for 1 to 2 minutes.

Move slowly and breathe normally. If there is sharp pain, sudden calf pain, swelling, redness, numbness, or discomfort that increases, consult a doctor.

By Naveen Sharma, Yoga Expert at Yoga Circle by Cult – a fitness and wellness platform

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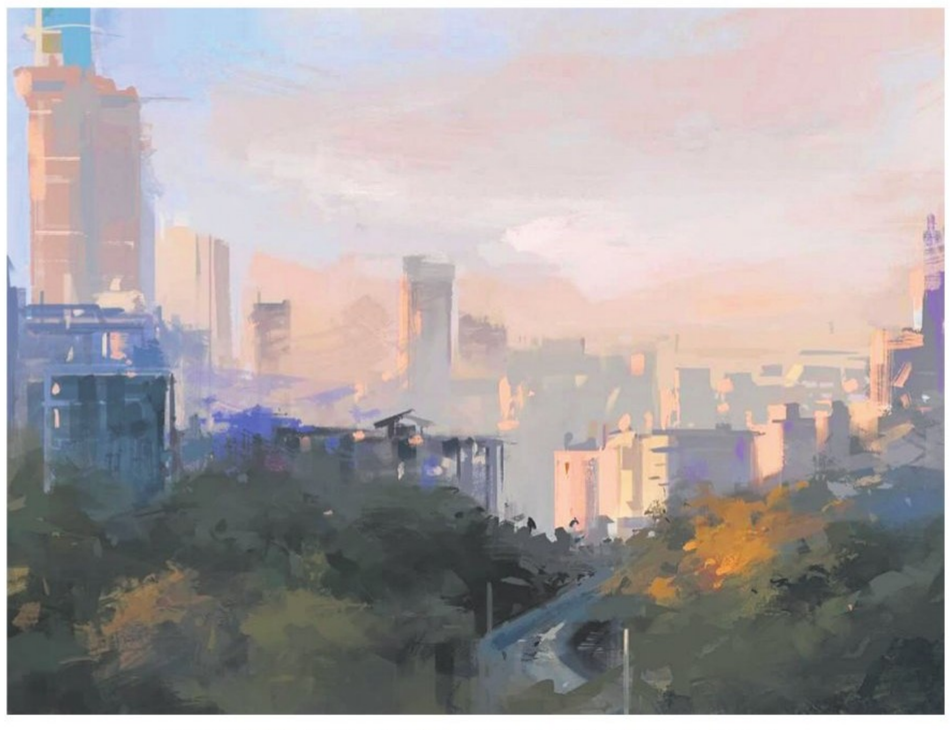


WINDOW TO CITY AND NATURE

In her painting, artist Sangeeta Khatu captures a serene window view of buildings and surrounding greenery

DOES YOUR HOME REFLECT YOU?

These key design tips help ensure that your home feels like home, not just a collection of trends

EVERY home tells a story, but is it telling your story? The one that feels authentic to you and your family; the one celebrating your memories and experiences. Today, crafting a home that feels completely yours can get a little challenging with so many trends and ideas floating around. Here are some ways in which one can make sure your home feels like an extension of you and not a home from a magazine.

Trust your instincts

No space is more personal than a home and one should always go with what feels right instinctively over what the trend is. Proportions and measurements should be considered for spaces to function and flow well but when it comes to textures, colours, prints or furniture, something that resonates is always the best choice.

Get weird

Something unconventional should not stop you from being you. Gallery walls are a great way to showcase personality. Whether it's mixing up art and photographs or receipts from your first date, movie tickets, your first offer letter or the first painting your child made – make your space and walls have meaning and go back to a deeper memory. One glance and there's always a smile, guaranteed.

Vintage for the win

With fast décor making it loud and bold in the markets today, vintage has become an afterthought and that needs to change. Vintage pieces, their patina, craftsmanship and unique details add character to spaces while making them the focal point and conversation starters along the way. Heirloom pieces of furniture, textiles, or a generational piece of décor help celebrate your story and history like no other. Vintage is the secret weapon in most spaces.

It's a marathon, not a sprint

This is probably something nobody wants to hear but it is an important one. Spaces should grow with you, from one phase to the other. For that, there has to be breathing room in your homes to add more pieces or complete corners over time. If all surfaces are already maxed out, there won't be any room to add newer memories, souvenirs or storage. Put it together at your pace, it shouldn't be a space that photographs well but doesn't resonate.

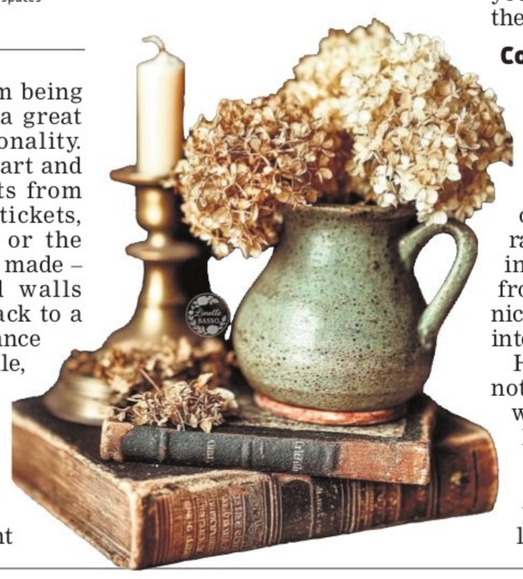
Identify your signature style

Signature style includes a mix of colours, textures, patterns and prints that you prefer over the others. The simplest way to determine your signature style is to look in your wardrobe. Whether you are a minimalist or someone who enjoys loud colours and bold prints, your wardrobe will have signs. Then gather pictures that you really like and notice what the common language is.

Collections to view

Personal style is rooted in things you collect; the ones that prompt a deep memory from time to time. Embracing and highlighting a collection of pieces – be it as simple as ceramic mugs to enjoy your morning coffee or stamps or shells from your travels. Creating a niche or framing them weaves you into the space effortlessly.

Homes that are aesthetic might not always feel right but spaces with character always hit home. Don't shy away from sprinkling parts of yourself through everything your home holds, it's yours and should speak your language of love.



DESIGN STORY

Neeta Jessani
A designer and lover of textures making functional spaces aesthetic

FOCUS FEATURE

Tamil Actress Dharsha Gupta Stays at Icon Premier, Bellandur

Icon Hotels by Bhagini Group, COO, R S Dharmendra, Icon Premier GM Ram, Actress Dharsha Gupta

Icon Hotels was delighted to host popular Tamil actress Dharsha Gupta, widely recognized for her appearances in Cooku with Comali and Bigg Boss Tamil, during her recent visit to Bengaluru. Dharsha, who enjoys a strong fan following across South India, spent a few days at Icon Premier, Bellandur, while working on select film scripts and exploring opportunities in the Kannada film industry, along with a few brand endorsement assignments.

Known for its warm hospitality and premium service standards, Icon Premier ensured a comfortable and productive stay for the talented actress. The entire Icon family was thrilled to welcome Dharsha and be a part of her Bengaluru journey.

Backed by the legendary Bhagini Group, Icon Hotels has carved a strong presence across East Bengaluru with over eight hotels strategically located from Bellandur to Whitefield, catering to both business and leisure travellers.

As part of its evolving brand-building initiatives, Icon Hotels looks forward to collaborating with more celebrities, influencers, and industry personalities in the future, further strengthening its position as one of Bengaluru's preferred hospitality brands.

"At Icon Hotels, we believe every guest has a story. Hosting celebrated personalities like Dharsha Gupta inspires us to continue delivering memorable experiences with warmth, comfort, and excellence."

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CHANGE OF NAME

I,DIVYAH CHAUHAN, aged about 22 years, D/o Sri Shailendra Surendra Chauhan residing at No H-901, Purva Highland, Near Holiday Village Resort, Mallasandra Village,Thalagattapura Bangalore - 560109. Have changed my name from **DIVYAH SHAILENDRA CHAUHAN** to **DIVYAH CHAUHAN** Vide affidavit dated 09.06.2026 Sworn before Notary **G.R. Rajanna -** Bengaluru

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **YASHWARDHAN SANDEEP HEMMACHIMANE** (Old Name) resident of NO.59, 31ST MAIN SECTOR 2, HSR LAYOUT, BENGALURU 560102, have changed my name to **YASHWARDHAN SANDEEP** (New Name) vide affidavit dated 20/06/2026 Before Notary **Sivakumara.M.N** Bangalore

AFFIDAVIT

I, **SEEMA SADIYA.R** alias **SEEMA SADIYA,** age 39 years, W/o Mr. C. Mohammed Shabbeer Ahamed, r/at No.8, 16th Cross, 1st Floor, Sagayapuram, Davis Road, Fraser Town, Bangalore-560005 do hereby declare that both the names i.e. **SEEMA SADIYA .R** and **SEEMA SADIYA** are one and the same and refers to me only, henceforth I shall be known and called as **SEEMA SADIYA** for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 19th June 2026, sworn before Advocate and Notary **B. CHITRA** at Bangalore.

AFFIDAVIT

I, **MOHAMMED ROOHULLA .P** alias **MOHAMMED RUHULLA,** s/o Mr. Ibrahim, age 67 years, R/at No. 1085, 1st Cross, 1st Street, bharathmatha Layout, Venkateshpuram, KG Halli, Vinobhanagar, Arabic College, Bangalore-560 045 do hereby declare that both the names i.e. **MOHAMMED ROOHULLA .P** and **MOHAMMED RUHULLA** are one and the same and refers to me only, henceforth I shall be known and called as **MOHAMMED RUHULLA** for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 19th June 2026, sworn before Advocate and Notary **B. CHITRA** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **Dasam Krishna Chaitanya,** alias Krishna Dasam, S/o Mr. Nageswararao, aged about 44 years, presently residing at 3620, Torcello Cv, Leander, TX, 78641, USA, do hereby confirm that I am known by both names, which refer to one and the same person, namely myself. There are no differences in my identity, and both names represent me exclusively. The discrepancy exists solely because 'Krishna Dasam' is a shortened version of 'Dasam Krishna Chaitanya'.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **MOHAMED HAFIZ FAREEDUDDIN** resident of No 11 P 3rd Street Armstrong Road Near Baidwadi Masjid Bharthinagar Bengaluru 560001 have changed my name to **MOHAMMED HAFIZ FAREEDUDDIN** vide affidavit dated: 20/6/2026 Before Notary **K.V.Mani** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **PRIYA,** W/o Subhash Kumar, age 39 years, R/at No. B-212, 1st Floor, Skyline Fountain Head Babusab Palya, Bengaluru-560 043 do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **PRIYA ARYA** (old name) to **PRIYA** (new name), henceforth I shall be known and called as **PRIYA** (new name) for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 20th June 2026, sworn before Advocate and Notary **GANGARAJU .B.N** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **DEEPALI WALI** and **DEEPALI JEVOOR** (Old Name), W/o Rajendra Jevoor, aged about 44 Years, Residing at Sonesta Residency, F-114, 5th Main, 7th Cross, Malleshapalya, Bangalore-560075, declare that I have changed my name from **DEEPALI WALI** and **DEEPALI JEVOOR** (Old Name) to **DEEPA JEVOOR** (New Name), henceforth I shall be known and called as **DEEPA JEVOOR** (New Name) for all my personal, official & legal purpose, vide Affidavit dated : 19/06/2026 before Notary **S.I.BALAGURU** at BENGALURU

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **Muhammad Abdul Bari Khan** s/o Muhammad Hasan Khan, Aged about 44 years, Gangondanahalli, residing at No, 497 10th cross,VTC Vijayanagar, Bengaluru North, Bangalore.
I have changed my name from **"ABDUL BARI HABBANI"** to **"MUHAMMAD ABDUL BARI KHAN"** for all purpose. That henceforth, I shall be known and called by the name MUHAMMAD ABDUL BARI KHAN and shall sign all documents, above mentioned both names refer to one and the same person, Vide affidavit dated 18-06-2026 before S.Jayanna, Notary Public, Bengaluru".

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **KUSHAL S.,** S/o SRIDHARA R., aged about 22 years, residing at No. 118, Kathriguppe, BSK III Stage, Bangalore – 560085, do hereby declare that in my Passport, my father's name has been incorrectly recorded as **SRIDHAR RAMAKRISHNAPPA** instead of **SRIDHARA R.** The same has been amended accordingly vide an affidavit dated 19.06.2026, sworn before Advocate and Notary **G. DAYANANDA** at Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **LAKSHMI SRINIVASAN,** W/o. No. 1347248, Rank: EX HAV, Name: Late M P Srinivasan, aged 77 years, Residing at No. 15/1, Mackan Road, Narayana Pillai Street, Bharathinagar, Bengaluru North, Bengaluru -560001, Karnataka, have changed my name from **LAKSHMI** to **LAKSHMI SRINIVASAN,** vide affidavit dated: 19.06.2026 before notary **L. GOPALAKRISHNA,** Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **NAVEENA BOLLANDANDA** (Old Name), aged about 53 years, W/o. MACHAMADA BELLIAPPA SATISH, RESIDING AT FLAT NO. 303, SRIVARI HARMONY APARTMENTS, NO.117, 4TH CROSS, 2ND BLOCK, VISHWAPRIYANAGAR, BEGUR ROAD, BENGALURU-560068, KARNATAKA, declare that I have changed my name from **NAVEENA BOLLANDANDA** (Old Name) to **NAVEENA BOLLANDANDA PEMMAIAH [NAVEENA B. P.]** (New Name), henceforth I shall be known and called as **NAVEENA BOLLANDANDA PEMMAIAH [NAVEENA B. P.]** (New Name) for all my personal, official & legal purpose, vide Affidavit dated : 20/06/2026 before Notary **GANGARAJU.B.N.** at BENGALURU

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **Mrs. CHANDRAPATLA NAGA JYOTHI,** D/o Seshagiri Rao, W/o Jagadeesh Babu Gandhi, age 42 years, R/at Flat B 205, SLN Meadows, Chokkanahalli, Thanisandra, Bangalore-560 064 do hereby declare that both the names i.e. **CHANDRAPATLA NAGA JYOTHI** and **NAGA JYOTHI CHANDRAPATLA** are one and the same and refers to me only, now I have changed my name to **GRANDHI NAGA JYOTHI,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **GRANDHI NAGA JYOTHI** for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 20-06-2026, sworn before Advocate and Notary **K.R. PADMANABHAIAH** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **RUDHRAAV VINOTH** S/o C K Chandran, R/at No. 09, 1st Cross, Banjara Layout, Bethal Layout, Kalkere, Horamavu Post, Bangalore-560 043 do hereby declare that both the names i.e. **VINOTH D** and **RUDHRAAV VINOTH** are one and the same and refers to me only, henceforth I shall be known and called as **RUDHRAAV VINOTH** for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 19th June 2026, sworn before Advocate and Notary **Y.R. CHANDRASEKAR** at Bangalore.

AFFIDAVIT

I, **SATHISHKUMAR MANOHARAN @ M. SATHISHKUMAR,** S/o N. Manoharan, age 49 years, R/at No.18, Ground Floor, 003, Sai Deep Heera Apartments, 6th Main, 1st Cross, Behind Shiva Temple, New Thippasandra, Bangalore-560075 do hereby declare that in my son **S. SUSHEEL KUMAR** in his educational records, my name is wrongly mentioned as **M. SATISH KUMAR** instead of **M. SATISHKUMAR,** vide affidavit dated 10th June 2026, sworn before Advocate and Notary **V. SRINIVASA REDDY** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **Ms. YOGEETHA V YADAV,** D/o Venkatesh, age 30 years, R/at No. 99, Cubbonpet Main Road, Bengaluru North, Bengaluru-560 002 do hereby declare that both the names i.e. **YOGITHA V** and **YOGEETHA V YADAV** are one and the same and refers to me only, now I have changed my name from **YOGITHA V** to **YOGEETHA V YADAV,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **YOGEETHA V YADAV** for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 18th June 2026, sworn before Advocate and Notary **B. CHITRA** at Bangalore.

AFFIDAVIT

I, **FAREEDA BEGUM** alias **FAREEDA BANU** alias **BATHULA,** W/o Mr. Mohammed Ruhulla, age 54 years, Ra/t No. 1085, 1st Cross, 1st Street, Bharathmatha Layout, Venkateshpuram, KG Halli, Vinobhanagar, Arabic College, bangalore-560 045 do hereby declare that both the names i.e. **FAREEDA BEGUM** alias **FAREEDA BANU** and **BATHULA** are one and the same and refers to me only, henceforth I shall be known and called as **BATHULA** for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 19th June 2026, sworn before Advocate and Notary **B. CHITRA** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **NANDITHA CHANDRAPPA (Nanditha C.)** D/o D.R. Chandrappa, age 36 years, R/at No. 413, 4th Floor, Sai Image Magna, Canara Bank Road, Uttarahalli, Bangalore-560 061 do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **NANDITHA CHANDRAPPA (NANDITHA C.)** to **NANDITHA SHETTY,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **NANDITHA SHETTY** for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 20th June 2026, sworn before Advocate and Notary **D.G. SHANTHAPPA** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **SULAGIAH ASHOK ANIL KUMAR,** S/o Mr. Ibrahim, age 67 years, R/at No. 1085, 1st Cross, 1st Street, bharathmatha Layout, Venkateshpuram, KG Halli, Vinobhanagar, Arabic College, Bangalore-560 045 do hereby declare that both the names i.e. **SULAGIAH ASHOK ANIL KUMAR** and **JAGGATHJEETH ANIL SULAGIAH** are one and the same and refers to me only, henceforth I shall be known and called as **JAGGATHJEETH ANIL SULAGIAH** for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 19th June 2026, sworn before Advocate and Notary **B. CHITRA** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **Mrs. SHAGUFTA SAMAN,** W/o. Mr. Nawaz Pasha, Aged 39 years, Residing at No. 11/15, 4th Main 'A' Cross, Bismillanagar, Bengaluru - 560 029, do hereby declare that I have changed my daughter name from **AYIRAH SADAF** to **KAUNAIN SADAF** vide affidavit dated 14.05.2026 sworn before Lakshminarayana, Advocate & Notary, Government of India, Bengaluru.

CHANGE IN NAME

I, **KIRAN KULKARNI** (Old Name) S/o.Prabhakar,R/o.42/1,SFHS Nandini Layout, Bengaluru-**560 096.** have changed my name from **KIRAN KULKARNI** to **KIRAN P KULKARNI** (New Name) as per Aadhar Card,vide Affidavit sworn before Smt.C.K.Anupama, Notary Government Of India, Bengaluru on 19th June 2026.

AFFIDAVIT

I, **SULAGIAH ASHOK ANIL KUMAR,** Aged about 45 years, residing at No. 17, Shiva Sundara Mahal, Shankar Mutt Road, Shankarapuram, Basavanagudi, Bangalore - 560 004, do hereby declare that both the names, namely **JAGGATHJEETH A SULAGIAH** and **JAGGATHJEETH ANIL SULAGIAH** refer to one and the same person, namely my son, and there is no difference in identity whatsoever. I therefore request all concerned authorities to rectify and record my son's name as **JAGGATHJEETH ANIL SULAGIAH** in place of **JAGGATHJEETH A SULAGIAH** my name as **SULAGIAH ASHOK ANIL KUMAR** in place of **S A ANIL KUMAR,** and my wife's name as **DIVYASHREE SULAGIAH ANIL** in place of **S A DIVYASHREE** in all records maintained by them. Vide affidavit dated 19.06.2026 sworn before XXXVIII ADDL. CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE BENGALURU CITY.

AFFIDAVIT

I, **SULAGIAH ASHOK ANIL KUMAR,** Aged about 45 years, residing at No. 17, Shiva Sundara Mahal, Shankar Mutt Road, Shankarapuram, Basavanagudi, Bangalore - 560 004, do hereby declare that both the names, namely **PAVANRAAJ A SULAGIAH** and **PAVANRAAJ ANIL SULAGIAH** refer to one and the same person, namely my son, and there is no difference in identity whatsoever. I therefore request all concerned authorities to rectify and record my son's name as **PAVANRAAJ ANIL SULAGIAH** in place of **PAVANRAAJ A SULAGIAH** my name as **SULAGIAH ASHOK ANIL KUMAR** in place of **S A ANIL KUMAR,** and my wife's name as **DIVYASHREE SULAGIAH ANIL** in place of **S A DIVYASHREE** in all records maintained by them. Vide affidavit dated 19.06.2026 sworn before XXXVIII ADDL. CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE BENGALURU CITY.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **Kusum Narayan Gill,** aged about 61 years, residing at No. 5, B Street, 1st Main Road, Sheshadripuram, Bengaluru-560020, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **Kusum Narayan Gill** to **Shwetapadma Saraswati,** vide affidavit dated 20.06.2026, sworn to before K.P. Sumangala, Advocate & Notary Public, Govt. of India, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **Smt. VEENA C CHOUDHARI,** W/o. Chiman Lal Choudhari, aged about 63 years, residing at No.17, Blue Bell Apartment, G3 Ground Floor, Middle School Road, V.V. Puram, Basavanagudi, Bangalore-560004, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **VEENA** to **VEENA C CHOUDHARI,** vide affidavit dated 17.06.2026, sworn to before Chandrashekaraiah .S, Advocate & Notary, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **Mrs. SHAGUFTA SAMAN,** W/o. Mr. Nawaz Pasha, Aged 39 years, Residing at No. 11/15, 4th Main 'A' Cross, Bismillanagar, Bengaluru - 560 029, do hereby declare that I have changed my daughter name from **AYIRAH SADAF** to **KAUNAIN SADAF** vide affidavit dated 14.05.2026 sworn before Lakshminarayana, Advocate & Notary, Government of India, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **NAVANEET SUBHAS KULKARNI,** S/o : SUBHAS VAMANRAO KULKARNI, aged about 31 years, (DOB : 09.01.1995), resident of H.No.29/2, 1st Floor, Reddy Building, Opp. TVS Showroom, Jaraganahalli, Kanakapura Main Road, Bengaluru-560078, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **NAVANEET KULKARNI** to **NAVANEET SUBHAS KULKARNI,** vide affidavit dated 20.06.2026, sworn to before K. Ramegowda, Advocate & Notary Public, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **No. 13894670-Y,** Rank: **Ex NK/MT,** Name : **P P Thammaiah,** S/o. P C Poovaiah, R/at. No. 781, 8th Cross, 2nd Stage, Mahavishnu, Janarul Store, Hebbal, Mysore, Karnataka-570017, do hereby declare that I want to change my spouse name from **P T Leelavathy** to **P T Leelavathi,** vide affidavit dated 19.06.2026, sworn to before XXIX Addl. Chief Judicial Magistrate, Bengaluru City.

AFFIDAVIT

I, **Shahid Iqbal,** S/o Mohammed Islam Ansari, aged about 39 years, R/at No.35, 1st Floor, 14th Main, 8th Right Cross, APJ Abdul Kalam Road, Fathima Layout, Govindpura, Arabic College Post, Bangalore-560045. I state that my name has been accidentally entered as **"Shahid Iqbal Mohammed Islam Ansari"** instead of **"Shahid Iqbal".** Hereby I declare that, my correct name is **Shahid Iqbal** and it refers to me only, vide Affidavit dated 20.06.2026, Sworn before Advocate and Notary P.Anuradha, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **YOGESHA NAYAKANAHALLI THAMMANNA, D.O.B: 31.07.1990, S/o. Thammanna Gowda Huche Gowda, Residing at HRC Ananya, Flat No. 504, Judicial Layout, Yelahanka, G.K.V.K. Post, Bengaluru -560065, Karnataka, have changed my name to YOGESH NAYAKANAHALLI THAMMANNA GOWDA,** vide affidavit dated: 20.06.2026 before notary GANGARAJU .B.N, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, K. VINOTH KUMAR, Aged about 52 years, S/o.P.S. Krishnan Kutty, R/at. #C-004, Gina Ronville Apartment, K.Narayanapura, Dr. SRK Nagar Post, Bangalore, Karnataka 560077, have changed my daughter's name from **ARADHANA to ARADHANA VINOTH KUMAR** for all purposes, vide Affidavit dated 20/06/2026, Sworn before Advocate and Notary D.Rajanna, K.Narayanapura, Bangalore-560077

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Yash's *Toxic* locks August release

The makers return to the festive corridor with a new release date

CE FEATURES

AFTER months of speculation, cryptic updates and relentless fan anticipation, *Toxic: A Fairy Tale for Grown-Ups* has officially locked August 26 as its worldwide theatrical release. The announcement comes with a striking new poster featuring Rocking Star Yash in his dual avatars, Raya and Ticket.

Earlier, the makers had announced March 19 as the release date before opting for a postponement. With August 26 now locked, *Toxic* finds itself back in a lucrative festive corridor, giving the film a stronger theatrical window.

In an era where films often reveal too much too soon, *Toxic* has built anticipation through carefully measured glimpses. Every poster and update has generated conversation, and the latest reveal is no different.

Released on Father's Day, the new *Toxic* poster carries the intriguing line, 'Honour Thy Father,' and interestingly, an earlier glimpse came with the dialogue: 'Daddy's home.' The Father's Day reveal adds an extra layer of symbolism to a poster already loaded with mystery.

The release strategy is equally interesting. Arriving on a Wednesday, the film opens into a holiday stretch that includes Varamahalakshmi, Onam, Eid and Raksha Bandhan. For a project conceived as a major theatrical event, the extended festive window offers an opportunity to maximise its reach across markets and demographics.

Toxic marks the first time acclaimed filmmaker Geetu Mohandas and Yash have worked together. The combination of Geetu's distinctive storytelling sensibilities and Yash's larger-than-life screen presence has made the film one of the most closely watched productions in the country.

Backed by KVN Productions and Monster Mind Creations, *Toxic* has steadily placed itself as one of the most ambitious Indian films currently in production. Shot simultaneously in Kannada and English, the film will also release in Hindi, Telugu, Tamil, and Malayalam. Adding further star power is an ensemble cast that includes Nayanthara, Kiara Advani, Huma Qureshi, Rukmini Vasanth and Tara Sutaria.

With the release date now locked, the conversation around *Toxic* inevitably shifts from anticipation to expectation.

The poster suggests a world still holding many secrets. Whether Raya and Ticket become the defining faces of the 2026 box office remains to be seen. But one thing is already clear: *Toxic* is not positioning itself as just another star-led release. It is aiming to be an event. And the countdown has officially begun.

Gilli Nata turns hero in Chandramohan's *PALAAR*

Presented by KVN Production, the film is built on humour, heart and village charm, says director Chandramohan

CE FEATURES

PALAAR, presented by KVN Productions, was launched recently with a traditional muhurat. The film marks the first production venture of KVN executive producers Harish and Naveen, while also serving as Gilli Nata's debut outing as a hero.

Veteran actor-filmmaker V Ravichandran sounded the first clap for the project, while producer Ramesh Reddy switched on the camera and wished the team success.

Directed by Chandramohan, *Palaar* is billed as a full-fledged rural comedy entertainer, a space the filmmaker is well known for. The project is being backed by KVN Productions founder K Venkat Narayana, with business head Suprith supporting the debut producers.

The muhurat was followed by a birthday celebration for Gilli Nata, turning the occasion into a double celebration. The actor, who has earned popularity through his comedy and television appearances, was warmly welcomed into his new phase as a lead actor.

For an actor whose career has largely been built on making audiences laugh, *Palaar* feels like a natural extension rather than a reinvention. The scale may be bigger and the responsibility greater, but the film appears determined to play to his strengths.

Ravichandran at the mahurat of Palaar

Team Ayogya 2

AYOGYA 2

MAKERS RELEASE FIRST SINGLE, *MUD MUDDU PUTLAKSHMI*

CE FEATURES

EIGHT years after *Ayogya* struck a chord with audiences through its mix of comedy, action and chartbuster songs, the team is back with a sequel, and the celebrations have already begun.

The makers of *Ayogya 2* unveiled the film's first track, *Mud Muddu Putlakshmi*, at a grand launch event where the cast and crew reflected on the success of the first film and expressed confidence that the sequel will offer even bigger entertainment.

The launch also revived memories of one of *Ayogya's* biggest musical hits. The romantic number *Yenammi Yenammi*, featuring Sathish Ninasam and Rachita Ram, became a viral sensation among Kannada audiences and has crossed 126 million views. Directed by Mahesh Kumar, with lyrics by Chetan Kumar, music by Arjun Janya, and vocals by Vijay Prakash and Palak Muchhal, the song remains one of the film's most-loved tracks.

With *Ayogya 2*, the makers hope to recreate that magic. This time, the romantic track features Sid Sriram and Pruthvi Bhat, bringing a fresh musical flavour while retaining the emotional appeal associated with the franchise.

Music director Arjun Janya, who officially launched the song said the occasion was particularly special.

"In my 22-year career, this is the first time I'm releasing a song as a guest. Pruthvi Bhat has sung it beautifully," he said, recalling his journey with the original *Ayogya* soundtrack nearly eight years ago.

Director Mahesh Kumar described the sequel as a bigger entertainer. "We are returning after eight years, and I believe this song will bring joy to everyone. *Ayogya* was loved by audiences, and *Ayogya 2* offers even more entertainment," he said.

Lead pair Sathish Ninasam and Rachita Ram thanked lyricist Chetan Kumar and singers Sid Sriram and Pruthvi Bhat for their contribution to the new track. Rachita also reflected on their long-standing on-screen partnership.

"In the process of making a film, there are opinions and arguments. Despite all that, it is wonderful that we have come together for this launch, and we want *Ayogya 2* to be a success," she said.

Producer Munegowda, who has backed the film, said the project has already generated strong business buzz. Dialogue writer Masti praised the writing, while actors Shivaraj KR Pete, Manju Pavagada and Kiran Naik said the ensemble cast adds significantly to the film's entertainment quotient.

With promotions now underway and Put Lakshmi offering fans their first taste of the sequel's music, *Ayogya 2* is gearing up for its theatrical release on August 14.

The Pan-India era has changed how talent is discovered: Rachita Ram

A SHARADHAA

FOR over a decade, Rachita Ram has been one of Kannada cinema's most dependable stars. The hits kept coming, her fan following grew, and the industry embraced her as one of its own. But familiarity can sometimes obscure evolution. It often takes an outsider's perspective to recognise what has been visible all along. That perspective, in Rachita's case, arrived through Coolie.

Her Tamil debut has done more than introduce her to a new audience. It has also placed her on the radar of filmmakers across industries, leading to fresh conversations, new opportunities, and roles that stretch beyond the image Kannada audiences have long associated with her.

Ask her how it feels to be recognised by a different industry, and her answer isn't about stardom or visibility.

"It's a very good feeling because they are recognising me for my performance," she says. "Not because I'm a known face or because I come from a respected industry. They liked my work and even the way I conduct myself on sets."

While she remains tight-lipped about a potential Telugu project, awaiting an official announcement from the production house. Rachita believes the pan-India era has broken down the barriers that once separated film industries, changing the way talent is discovered and opportunities are created. "For years, actors and technicians largely worked within their own industries. Today, people across industries know the calibre of an artist. They can easily watch performances and understand whether an actor suits a particular role. That's how opportunities from different industries and diverse characters are coming my way," she says.

Yet, even as her career expands beyond Karnataka, her thoughts inevitably return to Kannada cinema.

For the past few years, conversations about the industry's struggles have become routine. Rachita, however, isn't interested in adding to the conversation.

"First of all, we should stop saying the industry is not doing well," she says, adding, "Some things may not be happening as expected right now, but everything will be alright. We shouldn't put our own industry down."

Her argument is less about denial and more about perception.

"Our content is good. We need to stop influencing people negatively and start speaking positively about the industry. We should focus on better marketing, stronger promotion, and genuine outreach."

Rachita also believes the responsibility extends beyond filmmakers. "The industry fraternity must come together and support one another. Even on social media, there needs to be balance. We shouldn't be putting down our own family. If everyone works together, we can create a new phase of growth for Kannada cinema."

Following *Ayogya 2*, Rachita will be seen in *Criminal* opposite Dhruva Sarja, even as she continues to explore opportunities beyond Kannada cinema.

Rachita Ram

Ana De Armas, Kate Hudson to headline erotic thriller

CE FEATURES

ANA De Armas and Kate Hudson are all set to team up for an upcoming erotic thriller. Titled *Palm Grove*, the film is being directed by Kornel Mundruczo for Chernin Entertainment, the banner behind the recent hit Backrooms.

Set in Miami, *Palm Grove* follows a seemingly perfect family that falls apart when the wife discovers her husband's double life. This discovery sets off a seductive power game that turns betrayal into the most exhilarating game of her life. Mundruczo is a Hungarian filmmaker who is best known for Cannes-winning White God and Pieces of a Woman. Hudson will next star opposite Javier Bardem in Hello and Paris. Meanwhile, Ana De Armas was last seen in the John Wick spinoff, Ballerina.

Sathish Ninasam on challenges faced by Kannada film industry

SPEAKING at the event, Sathish Ninasam also addressed concerns about the Kannada film industry's current state, urging people to stop writing off Kannada cinema prematurely.

"These days, people quickly say a film has failed. But how do you know whether a film will win or lose? If you already know the result, then why make the film at all?" he remarked. The actor stressed that filmmaking requires much more than financial investment and called for greater understanding of the craft among producers.

"Cinema is not just about putting money into a project. One needs education, knowledge of storytelling, filmmaking and audience sensibilities. Only then should one think of producing films," he said.

Citing producer-distributor Suprith of KVN Productions as an example, Satish noted that success is possible when cinema is approached with understanding and commitment.

He also expressed concern that mistakes made by a few producers often affect the wider industry.

"When a few producers make wrong decisions, it impacts many others. Newcomers become hesitant to enter the field, and that ultimately affects the industry's growth. We need to encourage responsible filmmaking," he said.

Sathish Ninasam